

Communist Infiltration into Religion

THE CURRENT PARTY LINE
OF
THE CHURCH APPARATUS
OF
THE COMMUNIST PARTY

As Reflected In The Book Entitled "America's Spiritual Recovery",
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Foreword

The following pages present an abridgement of the above book with
a view to bringing into focus in short space its essential features,
and is for use by the investigative and intelligence agencies of
the U. S. Government, and by the military. Dr. Elson's own
language has been set forth in sequence, though quotes are not
here used. Camouflage language, relatively unimportant passages,
and surplusage have been deleted. Connective words have been
supplied where necessary to give continuity. Attempt has been
made not to leave out language which modifies the sense of what
is here given, unless this is so indicated in parenthesis, but the
reader will have to check the success of such attempt against the
book, since it is difficult for me to preserve detached objectivity
on this subject, and this work has been done in a very short space
of time. Words in parenthesis and underscoring are mine unless
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CHAPTER I

THE MORAL LAPSE

On the campus the young man limped. He had gathered in a fine assortment of bayonet and machine gun wounds. Every man in his infantry section had been killed or wounded. He said, "We have professors who know their subjects--but they do not know the world." (Emphasis Elson's)

The co-ed said: "Do you know what we talk about when we are alone? We talk about whether we ought to be mothers of children in this kind of brutal world, or whether we should refuse to give them birth and send them out meekly to die in another war."

Crime is only one of our problems. There is also money. As Americans we have a kow-towing admiration for the tycoons of business and the captains of industry. Secretly, if not openly, almost every American aspires to improve his economic lot. The emblem of America is the one-dollar bill. To acquire money and to hold it as a custodian of the Almighty may be a laudable aim and pursuit, and to employ wealth as a steward of God may be to exhibit one of the primary Christian qualities. But to seek wealth for its own ends is a one-way street: it leads directly to the destruction of the soul. It is, for example, a tragic moment when a man looks into the face of his pastor and says, "I have discovered that it no longer pays to be honest in business."

Throughout our land there is an un-Christian and therefore an antisocial attitude toward marriage and the home.

The cultural level also sags. We Americans have befuddled minds and shallow spirits. How stupid can we get? In these post-war years nearly all the screen dramas and stage plays which have been most successful have had a deteriorating personality at their center. Streetcar named Desire, Death of a Salesman, Come Back Little Sheba, Blythe Spirit, and Lady in the Dark each depicts an abnormal personality. This says about us as a people that we are a generation most interested in dramas with a "screwball" or a "crackpot" as the "hero".

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If it is true - and orthodox psychology says it is - that we appreciate a play in direct relationship to our imaginative capacity to project ourselves into the hero's role, then the implications of this observation are clear and ominous.

We follow preachers who hawk formulas for banishing worry and fear and tension while the prophets of God, with their painful judgments requiring repentance, go unheeded.

We are unhappy, unstable, comfortless, possess so little. We are forlorn souls, groping and hungering and lost, fugitive from God, and bereft of spiritual certitude.

For two-thirds of the world's population (that fraction which is not under communism) the most intimate details of everyday life are controlled by forces outside the individual. It may be less overt and deliberate here than in the East (the Mohammedan, Hindu, Buddhist part of the non-communist world where the numerous rules imposed by their faiths governing even the smallest details of everyday life are followed with scrupulous care by most), yet this regimentation is becoming increasingly characteristic of Western civilization. We live under a dictatorship of psychological pressure and social atmosphere.

The life of Western man, once sustained and uplifted by religion, is progressively secularized. Services to human lives which had their inception in religious faith and which for centuries were motivated by the religious spirit have no longer any specific relation to religion at all. The Christian Church has been the chief exponent of the ministry of healing for many centuries. Too many hospitals today have become vast, impersonal healing factories. Education, which in the Christian era had for its purpose the knowledge of God and the transmission of truth about God, does not today proceed on the premise that there is a God in and above all the processes of the universe. The profession of the jurist, historically, has had deep religious associations, but it may well be questioned whether the main purpose of the modern court is to achieve God's righteous judgment.

The secularization of life is observable everywhere. In modern industry management is committed to skilled specialists, while the energies and skills of labor are in the custody of vocational experts - the professional labor leaders who negotiate in terms of the "big business" which they represent. (Thus, we have the "secularization" of the secular.)

Meanwhile there hangs over us the terrifying thought that man by his own devices and his own moral choices, in one colossal incineration, may reduce his civilization to a mere memory floating on a vast galvanized desert. The significance of atomic devices is not to be found in the threat of physical death to come but rather in the revelation of the spiritual death that is already with us.

It is to be doubted that man can any longer be trusted with his own devices and his own destiny. That is why the ministry of religion must once again permeate all of life.

Now there stalks across the world a new, militant atheism. It has evangelistic passion and crusading vitality. Its youth parades across vast areas of the world singing:

Its the final conflict.
Let each man take his place.
The International Party shall be the human race.
We are changing the world.
We are changing the world.

This new evangelism has in it the smell of factory smoke and sweaty bodies, of grimy hands and the lust for bread and "a place in the sun." To the discerning mind the sweeping events and the collision of forces in our age make explicit God's judgment on the processes of history.

God Himself must invade us from the outside. We must have a fresh encounter with the living Lord of the Universe who alone can fashion us into a people we never yet have been, yet always have longed to be. (Last underscoring Elson's)

Chapter II

THE NEW AWAKENING

There is convincing evidence that in the present epoch we

are experiencing a moral resurgence and spiritual awakening of national proportions. The evidence is both overt and covert. We are living in a new age of faith.

Church membership steadily increasing, church attendance sustained at a high level, a vast church building program to implement which professional money-raising firms have increased in number and volume of business.

Mass evangelism with dynamic impact, brilliant salesmanship, moving preaching, capable management, the techniques of the hippodrome, the most skillful educational evangelism yet developed by professional evangelists.

Billy Graham, machine-gun delivery, youthful, virile, incisive, earnest, attacking sin both personal and social.

Equal in strength and stature, with solid theological content and superior preaching talent, Charles Templeton has the quiet persuasiveness of the master salesman, combined with homiletic talent and intellectual substance, and an almost uncanny comprehension of the stresses and strains of modern life. Possessed of a massive, athletic physique and a profile which would have won him fame on the stage, not "the ministerial type", he was sports cartoonist and then heard the call of God, studied public speaking, practiced preaching in empty churches, talked into mirrors. He understands the Church and believes in the Church as the medium of God's spirit in the earth. He wants to work in and through the Church and to strengthen it. In what he has said, religion is no longer a solemn, formal, worn-out thing with the appeal of the graveyard. He is a man of destiny in the church and the world.

Holding the television spotlight and a reputation for sensational conversions to Roman Catholicism is The Most Reverend Fulton J. Sheen. Loretta Young (a good Catholic herself) once called Bishop Sheen "The finest ham in the business," and she meant it as a compliment, and it is quite true. On TV Bishop Sheen has won a larger audience than Milton Berle or Bob Hope. (Some high praise follows this.)

How so many strong laymen's movements got under way so quickly no one seems to know; they appear to have arisen almost spontaneously, certainly without benefit of clerical generation. The once latent energies of laymen within the churches are now being efficiently organized and channelled through the religious institutions of our land. In Protestantism there are dynamic laymen's organizations, making necessary a recently established laymen's department in the National Council of Churches. Leadership training conferences instruct laymen in ways to use millions of man-hours for God's glory. In everything pertaining to the church - its worship, its evangelism, its Christian education and its social action - there are lay movements which really move men for the Kingdom of God.

The chaplains who served during the war and the young men who became ministers through the war are perhaps the most widely traveled, the most ecumenical in outlook, and the most human in understanding yet produced in America. When this group has been added to the already strong body of the clergy, America will be in possession of the best spiritual leadership in her history. Enrollment at divinity schools is the highest in our history. The theological faculties have been improved. Great theologians and great teachers of religious subjects have been developed here. Many of the leading theologians of Europe have joined the faculties of American institutions. We are living in a period remarkable for its great theologians. The present age is characterized by the presence of as great Christian thinkers as have appeared in several centuries.

Among undergraduates secularism is quite general and some cynicism remains; nevertheless, widespread groups dedicated to God are coming together for prayer and study. Some belong to the "Fellowship of the Yoke" - a disciplined group of young people whose symbol is "The Yoke of Christ" and whose purpose is to demonstrate the love of God in action. Religion may soon be the dominant force among undergraduates everywhere.

The "Good News" of the Gospel has also become newsworthy

copy for the daily press. It is significant that the attempted Congressional investigation of the clergy produced more copy and drew larger audiences than any Congressional hearing since the Hiss trial.

Another, and all-important stimulus behind our spiritual awakening is found in the inspiring leadership of the President of the United States, who has become, in a very real sense, the focal point of a moral resurgence and spiritual awakening of national proportions. From the highest seat in the land he brought a new moral tone and spiritual virility into American life. The President's emphasis has given a fresh masculinity to religion in general and to prayer in particular.

Chapter III

FREEDOM IS BORN OF FAITH

For Americans the practice of liberty is an every-day vocation. John Doe, common citizen, seems to be forgetting the tremendous forces which brought him this freedom, that it is the direct result of a lofty and invincible religious spirit. Suppose we take a good long look at what actually happened. American colonial oppression started with the despicable Navigation Acts which restricted American shipping and exporting. One hundred years later George III, dull, uneducated, bigoted and neurotic to the point of insanity, acted on the premise that a colony existed only to enrich the mother country. Oppression followed oppression. Insult was heaped upon insult. Hence the Declaration of Independence the explosive signal of a universal discontent which was to bring light and life to the New World, and which crystallized the sentiments not only of oppression-weary America, but of a chain-bound humanity everywhere. Jefferson, 33 year old Virginia philosopher, farmer, architect, inventor, lawyer, horseman, writer, was not a skillful politician or eloquent speaker, but he had an eager and daring mind, and was the chief ideological exponent of the American Revolution. He wrote in a half day's time our great national confession of faith. It is almost impossible for us to realize

the dangers our forefathers were inviting when they signed this audacious instrument. It must have been in God's providence that the appointed time had come.

This event, and what followed it, was primarily a spiritual movement. We cannot understand America unless we first understand that. Men's minds and souls were to be free - free to build a new world. The new world was to have a new faith, a faith that would spread everywhere. "God, who gave us life, gave us liberty," wrote Jefferson. This new nation was God-originated and God-destined. (Emphasis Elson's)

Jefferson knew that as a matter of present fact all men were not yet equal in endowment in their liberties and in their rights. But he knew that they ought to be and that one day they would be. Some critics suggest that Jefferson was too optimistic about human nature. He knew the weaknesses of human nature, for he himself was at times the victim of vilification and the object of men's baser manifestations.

The Declaration of Independence marked one of the great periods in the progressive emancipation of the mind and spirit.

Jefferson could state for the men of his day what they believed basically about God and human dignity. Men could be trusted with their own and other men's destinies and be truly free men only so long as they lived in obedience to a higher authority - the authority of God. We cannot understand American history except as a spiritual movement.

Reflect if you will on colonial life, where at the center of each community there was a minister of religion known as "The Parson". He was the chief citizen in the community, in culture, and in learning. The churches were then (and they continue to be) the real schools of democracy. One of the great scholars of Harvard, Samuel E. Morrison, inquiring into our origins concludes: ".....The leaders whom the people followed proposed, like Milton, to make over a portion of the earth in the spirit of Christian philosophy: a new church and state, family

and school, ethic and conducta city of God was their aim. Religion should permeate every phase of livingand every variety of human activity, every sort of human activity, every sort of human conduct presumably unpleasing to God must be discouraged if not suppressed." This spirit promoted a sense of religious vocation in civic and business life.

Let me repeat it: there is only one kind of true freedom and that is freedom under God. (Emphasis Elson's) When men do not fear God they follow their own wilfulness. Such men cannot be trusted with their own destiny. (Emphasis mine)

Chapter IV

THE SICKLE OR THE CROSS?

Christian tradition alone, or the mere existence of a church, cannot save a people from paganism. Only Christian men committed to the utmost and a virile church bearing uncompromising witness can stand up against dynamic paganism. Today we are confronted with a new "world religion of salvation."

Karl Marx absorbed his concept of social justice from the Hebrew prophets, extending the idea to a belief that violent social change is inevitable. He acquired from Christianity the conception of a Day of Judgment, when the sins of society are condemned and made public and when heaven on earth is to become the reward of the oppressed of the world. He drew from atheism his belief that man and man alone would bring about the great Day of Judgment - through the revolution of the proletariat - and that on the final day the judgment throne would be occupied by man rather than by God.

To the three great religions of the world of Semitic origin, - Christianity, Judaism, and Islam - we must now add a fourth: Communism. The salvation which it offers is not "pie in the sky by and by," but salvation in the world here and now.

The religious competition of the age is pointed out by Dr. Charles Lowry in the following outline of the cardinal features of Communism as they might be interpreted in Christian terminology:

1. There is one living Creator, God, which is matter in motion, dialectically directed.

2. The Trinity--thesis, antithesis, and synthesis.
3. Three persons of revelation and worship--Marx, the lawgiver, Lenin, the incarnate truth, and the Dictator, who is guide and comforter.
4. The Chosen People--the Proletariat, destined to inherit the earth.
5. Evil, which is sin and death--private property, the source of all social ills.
6. Redemption is by atonement--the blood of the proletariat.
7. The Church, the organ of truth and mediator of redemption--the Party, organ of action, enlightenment and discipline.
8. The Sacred Writings--those of Marx and Lenin, and the record of their deeds.
9. The law of the Kingdom of Heaven is the law of the classless society.
10. The Last Judgment, with its separation of the sheep and goats, saints and sinners, is to be found in Communism's violent overthrow of Capitalism and the enthronement of the Proletariat.
11. The Millennium will be the establishment of a universal, classless brotherhood.
12. To inspire all in this religion of salvation is the Real Presence--the ceaseless exposure of the perpetually renewed body of Lenin within the "holy sanctuary" of the Red Square.

Communism stands in juxtaposition (not opposition) to our faith. It is a new world religion. Some have equated social amelioration with the Christian concept of the Kingdom of God. Social services provided by the government may be helpful to the oppressed masses but their existence does not mean that the Kingdom of God has arrived. To presume that the fulfillment of sociological blueprints and industrial and economic reforms are the achievement of the Kingdom of God is to get the sequence wrong. It is a mistaken application of the Sermon on the Mount. How was it that Jesus Christ came to change the world? "He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at Liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord," Luke 4:18, 19. And then He announced, "This day the scripture is fulfilled in your ears." The Kingdom of God had come in Him; He was the Kingdom in miniature.

The rule of God in the hearts of men - that was the Kingdom He was proclaiming. Everything he was, was to reveal the perfect God-centered, God-conscious life.

(Note: The above words of Jesus, which referred to spiritual poverty, captivity and blindness of individual men, are thus given a physical meaning and made to refer to physical-politico-economic matters and to group man, and are equated with the socialist program. This is known as the social gospel. This is in keeping with Elson's constant use of the word "spiritual" to refer to political and economic persuasions; and his use of Christian "parallel" terms as substitutes for Communist terms. Jesus is then presented simply as the microcosm of the Communist macrocosm.)

That Gospel was not merely a social, economic or political program. Many within the Church have misunderstood the meaning of the Kingdom. They have the sequence wrong. They have too readily equated social progress, political platforms and economic reforms with the Kingdom of God, without God's spirit. They have forgotten that the famous sermon (on the Mount) was not uttered to a miscellaneous throng of unconverted men, but rather to disciples who were already comitted to the King; that sermon was presented to the little band that had withdrawn from the multitudes to a mountain retreat. (Matt. 5:1,2) They are not applicable to a spiritually miscellaneous or unconverted people. The standards of the Kingdom belong to those who acknowledge the King and live in the Kingdom.

((Note: This is an argument against those social gospellers who are social democrats, rather than Communists. It means that the Dictator (King) working through his Party (disciples) must precede the World Socialist Order (Kingdom of God), and that the latter cannot be achieved by democratic means over a course of years through the votes of the electorate at large (spiritually miscellaneous and unconverted people.) It is this part that proves beyond all question that Elson is a communist and not a democratic socialist. His scriptural reference is dishonest, and is a typical

example of the application of dialectical materialism (which is the purposeful elimination of the true but inconvenient and the invention of the false but convenient in furtherance of communism) as applied to scripture. In the Greek Testament the plural of the word ochlos, meaning throngs of people, is used in Matt. 5:1, 7:28, and 8:1, but in the King James Version it is translated as multitudes in 5:1 and 8:1, and as people in 7:28. 7:28, 29, clearly shows that the multitudes followed Jesus to the Mount and that he was talking to them, though his disciples as would be usual were closest to him. See also Luke 6:17-49, and 7:1. Dr. Edward L. R. Elson, D.D., Lit. D., LL.D., knows all this quite well.))

It is because we have often attempted the establishment of the Kingdom without the King that the Church shares with the rest of mankind the guilt for the present tragic hour. Do you have the Kingdom when trust is suppressed, when personality is defamed, when there is slavery, when fellowship is obstructed by the imprisonment of multitudes behind an Iron Curtain. (Note he doesn't say the Iron Curtain, and that he means a different thing.) The Church has been right in promoting world peace, in insisting that international conflicts be resolved by peaceful adjudication through the United Nations, in insisting that we share food, clothing, medicines, tools and technical skills with the dispossessed and underprivileged of the world. Certain sections of the Church have been wrong in supposing that pacifism as a national policy could be effective. The Church has been wrong in supposing that peaceful adjudication through the United Nations could be successful without the adequate implementation of military force, in supposing that material satisfactions alone would bring in the Kingdom of God. (By wrong he means unsuccessful. These parts of the party line have definitely been rejected are now jettisoned by the church apparatus.)

It is equally wrong to suppose that military power alone will solve the whole question. (Emphasis Elson's). Indeed, conversion of the leaders who threaten the peace and well-being of the world is perhaps our best hope of averting disaster. We

should be encouraged by the fact that Communists have been converted to Christ and His Church. If men without deep religious faith sometimes are converted to Communism, which is atheistic, how much more readily should we expect the conversions of Communists to Christianity, with all the resources of God available to Christ's emissaries. We must reckon with the present inaccessibility of the Communist leaders. (Emphasis Elson's)

(Note: Elson could mean he hopes to convert Eisenhower, Dulles, et al. to communism; but it is much more probable that he is referring to the coming "conversion" with great fanfare of the men in the Kremlin to "Christianity" as a last move to deceive the West before the battle. The "Christianity" of course would be that which Mackay and Hromadka perfected at the Princeton Seminary, and would be communism under the Christian name.)

The Christian is a free man only because he is a servant. He is not free to do as he pleases; he is free only to glorify God. He is a free man only because he has become captive to Christ. Men who are redeemed and restored to their pristine state and who live and move and have their being in God can be trusted. They can be trusted because their loyalty is to, and their direction derived from, a higher power. Men free under God can be trusted because they voluntarily accept spiritual disciplines; they are amenable to the guidance of God and obedient to his will.

The highest role this nation can play is to reflect God's righteousness in national policies and to promote His Glory in all its relationships. The Spirit, working in us, may make us a greater force than we have ever dreamed we could be. The Communists and their sympathizers may for a time outnumber Christians of the world. The most important thing for us to do is to set over against Communism a more vital and more Christian society. It means a New Christianity - more real, more intense, more vital than we have ever known before. It means faith radically applied.

Chapter V

RECOVERING OUR FOUNDATIONS

Today's American no longer carries the axe, the gun and the Bible. His axe has become America's gigantic industrial machine, and the world sees that. His gun has become America's powerful armament, and the world knows it well. His Book (note that Elson does not say Bible here) is pouring forth the light of a new awakening, and the world must see that. (Emphasis Elson's)

(In the interest of space, only this one paragraph, which contains the essence of this chapter is here set forth. It liquidates the individual American and sets up a composite American, which is to say that it nationalizes the individual.)

Chapter VI

THE RAMPARTS WE WATCH

Only men of majestic character can be trusted with their own destinies. The only true freedom is freedom under God - freedom by submission to the Higher Authority. Many a man who declares his willingness to fight for democracy has not yet begun to live for its undergirding organism - the Church. The Church came by men, and it has human qualities, but it is not an institution of men. It is a living organism, not of those who are perfect, but of those who have found a perfect Lord, a people with a master key to the whole of life. The Church is still a "colony of Heaven", and it is yet the "salt of the earth". It is of God. Our civil liberties, our schools, our public libraries, our hospitals, our free press, our cherished democracy will survive only if their real source, The Church, has the complete devotion of the American People. (That is, above God in the religious realm, and above our country in the political realm.)

Chapter VII

THE TIME FOR INTOLERANCE

When Christian truth is proclaimed, it evokes the response of untruth. I am beginning to wonder whether we have not been too tolerant of such bigotry and untruth. The prophets, by their

intolerance, came to the faith. And that faith gave us Jesus Christ. Jesus came out of that Jewish tradition - a tradition accustomed to the rise of prophets who by being critical of their times were productive of new times. (Dr. Elson thus rejects Jesus as the Son of God.)

Must the Christian be tolerant of the evil some men manifest? of those practices in other faiths which would destroy his own faith? of those subversive forces which use free speech to seek power which, if achieved, would destroy free speech? of those who exploit the free press for achieving personal power, or for the assassination of character? of those whose scandalous conduct violates Christian morality, destroys American idealism, and harms our nation's influence abroad? of those who exploit variations from his Christian standard solely to achieve political ambitions? of opinions which undercut our culture, violate decency, and sow the seeds of social collapse? No! There are limits to tolerance.

It is usual during Brotherhood Week to discuss the great truths we hold in common. Our brotherhood might be furthered if we really sharpened our differences. Some of the most virile churches might be said to be the most intolerant. Are we to be tolerant of spiritual indifference? shallow theology? religious apathy? There must be ruggedness in our Christian faith and muscle and backbone in the Christian character.

This is a time for the Church of Jesus Christ to be intolerant of everything which attempts to deprive it of its unique reality as the instrument of God upon the earth, intolerant of any agency, governmental or otherwise, which endeavors to deprive it of its inherent authority and its divine mission. It stakes its faith on the historic doctrine that God is the Sovereign Lord and Ruler of all life. The Church, when faithful to its Lord (and who is to say whether it is or isn't?), is thus the medium of the voice of God, and it stands in judgment on all life, including governments; for the God of the Church, who is the God of history, is above and beyond all human societies, including the State.

The clergy today yield to no other citizens in their patriotic allegiance. Their contribution to the total life of the nation is rich and meaningful. They welcome honest scrutiny of their own lives by competent investigative agencies. Every minister worthy of the name and worthy of the ordination with which he has been invested has already been investigated by a higher Source than any government can offer. His life is laid bare before Almighty God. (If he were truly speaking of God, so is everyone's life laid bare.) As in few other callings, the minister has been scrutinized doctrinally, intellectually, morally and spiritually by the authorities of his church. Both as the examiner and the examined, he is accustomed to investigations. Thus he knows the value of competent and trustworthy investigations, and the peril of unworthy and ulterior probings.

When ministers as a group are made special targets of inquisitions, on the premise that they are promoters of disloyalty, they naturally are concerned about the motives and methods of inquisitors. When the leaders of the church are slandered and misrepresented by political charlatans for the purpose of their own political advancement, it is time for the Church to become intolerant of the charlatan, who is in every sense a subversive and a saboteur. The time for intolerance of the forces which would destroy both our Church and our cherished nation is at hand.

Chapter VIII

MAINTAINING SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES

Now, discipline is said to be the "ordered control of outward action and inward mood in accordance with a controlling purpose in life." No spiritual discipline is so earnestly needed as the discipline of group worship. The devout Roman Catholic sees, in the basic service of his church a religious spectacle. The ~~Protestant~~ Protestant who understands his own faith goes to church as something better than an observer; he is a participant in the "Common Worship." By this common worship, God is approached and becomes real; and by the action there is the corporate proclamation of faith. Common worship is more than the assembly

of Christian individuals offering individual expressions of worship. Common worship is the collective and united expression of the worshipers, which is more than the sum total of its participants.

The Son of God subjected Himself to the disciplines of the Synagogue; His life showed the discipline of His regular worship in the house of God. He worshipped every Sabbath Day "as was his custom," in what Winifred Kirkland has described as a "quarrelsome, sordid village synagogue." (Actually, what Luke 4:4 says is: "And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up; and as was his custom, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up for to read." Jesus always went off by Himself to worship, pray and commune with God. He used the synagogue to teach. And he said, "And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men....But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret.")

Yet, despite all this, Jesus remained a faithful and true member of His church - loyal and regular in His attendance at worship, giving his whole life to its purposes. Here, as a lad, He came to know the Bible of His people; He learned to read it, memorized parts of it, and absorbed His favorite passages. Later these passages were the foundation of His preaching and the strength of His life. The Scriptures were fulfilled in His life. He not only demonstrated the truths of the Scriptures; He drew upon them for help in His personal life - even on the Cross. If He condemned the Synagogue, He did so from within and not from without - as one who had everything precious in life to gain from His Church, and one who could not abandon it without losing His own soul. (It is not necessary to refute the absurd blasphemy and falsehood here stated, as even the casual reader of the Bible should be able to do it himself. It is in accord with Dr. Elson's "controlling purpose in life" to present Jesus as

a model church member, submissive, devoted and inferior to the Church and its discipline, and so he does.)

We cannot be the Christians Jesus called us to be without being members of His Church, bound and controlled by its life. There is literally no salvation outside the Church. Nothing is permanently salvaged alone, or conserved in isolation. Only when joined with the "saints in light" is there growth.

Chapter IX

WASHINGTON, SYMBOL OF THE AWAKENING

In its complex character, the city is a microcosm of the United States. The pastors of this city know all too well the heartaches, frustrations, loneliness, and personal defects which are peculiar to this city. In the midst of all the tragic recital of national wrongdoing and the exchange of mudslinging, we may miss our great cultural institutions. Washington newspaper columnists find time to record their observations of a resurgence of religious vitality in the nations capital. My own files show that excerpts from my sermons and prayers appear in widely separated newspapers. Seminars, composed of laymen and ministers under denominational auspices as well as under the sponsorship of the National Council of Churches, spend extensive periods several times a year conferring with leaders of government concerning the relationship of religion to the well being of our people. There are White House conferences on Child Welfare, etc., there is the annual Washington Pilgrimage of American Churchmen, and a Pilgrimage Corporation, for its perpetuation, a meaningful movement. There is the Foundation for Religious Action, which will convene annually a carefully selected group of religious leaders and representatives of government, and will launch a spiritual offensive through mass communication media in order to supplement or even transcend the efforts of the Government in this field. Today, the city is charged with spiritual vitality.

Chapter X

A SUMMONS TO AMERICANS

Man blemished by sin as he is, can be redeemed and re-modeled and made the instrument for God's will on earth. (Emphasis Elson's) Our kind of democracy believes that man, with such lofty spiritual origins and capacities, can be led to put the general good above his own selfish interests and ambitions, and that he can find his truest happiness in service. Do we deserve democracy? Only if we have the courage to establish economic well being and social justice; only if we contribute to the making of a moral peace between the nations.

I shall never forget an experience which I had one summer day some years before World War II (an earlier page put it in the "mid-thirties, which could be as early as '33 or as late as '37) in a well known city in Southern Russia. I left my modest hotel at day break and wandered unescorted through the streets of the old city, until I came at last to a great church. Instead of functioning as a church, the entire building had become a granary. Alone with my thoughts, I could understand how often our Lord must have looked down on that Church - remote from the people, aloof from man's common need, unresponsive to the forces about it, now identified with an insensitive and inept ruler, giving tacit consent to its tyranny. That church was only the shell that desecration had made it; and the judgment of God was on it. What a warning! A church no longer relevant to life is crushed. (Look at this again, until you see just what it is he means.)

Footnote by W.W.B.

I do not believe the current substitution of Christian terms for communist terms by the communist apparatus in the ministry can be adequately explained by Dr. Lowry's list of "parallels" which is quoted by Elson, although this is a useful list and definitely shows that Elson knows what he is doing. The matter is actually much more complex, and it is always necessary to look at the context to see whether the symbolism

is actually being used in the particular instance or not. In using Christian terminology they will sometimes shift from double-talk to straight-talk in a manner probably intended to confuse anyone who is beginning to suspect what is going on. It is necessary to look at the symbolism from the communist's point of view. From a study of the book "God's Order", by Dr. John A. Mackay, which is a more difficult book than Elson's, and on which I am still working, I have made out tentatively a list which begins as follows:

The Trinity

- Objective: Time, the Father; Space, the Holy Spirit; Matter, the Word Incarnate, the "Cosmic Christ." To understand this fully, read Samuel Alexander's "Space, Time and Deity." I think communists are now using a corrupted version of Alexander, just as Marx used a corrupted version of Hegel, and that they are doing it with particular success in converting scientists, whose field of study is time, space and matter.
- Ideological: History, the Father; dialectical materialism, the Holy Spirit; and Utopia, the Word Incarnate, the "Christ of History".
- Personal: Marx, the Father; Lenin, the Holy Spirit; the Dictator, "Jesus Christ". Note that Stalin had his birthday changed to December 25th. The theory is that when "Christ" dies, he is shortly resurrected in the same (in idea) yet different (physically) body. It has taken the trained "Christian" theologians to work out a more substantial sounding "philosophy" of communism.

The Christian Church

This is the communist party, the "Body of Christ", the head of which body is "Christ". (See Ephesians.) Thus the figure of the composite man. The members of the body necessarily remain individuals and use all their individual capacities in the service of the party, without individualism, that is without independent will of their own, being subject in all things to the direction of the mind and will of the Supreme Authority and acting as joint or sinew of his body in complete coordination or "fellowship", according to the total action of body willed by its "mind". The fact that when a mere man is made the "head" this produces a pin-headed monster which has to grow a new head each time one dies, bothers them.

The Christian is the communist, the Kingdom of God the communist world order, the Cross, the hammer & sickle, saints are tried and true party members, etc., etc. but here is no point in setting out the long list until it is fully worked out and checked.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson ✓

DATE: November 5, 1954

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: Communist Infiltration into
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[redacted] of the New York World Telegram called and advised confidentially that the chief editorial writer, [redacted] complainant is very active in the Farmingdale, New York Methodist Church. He has become very suspicious of the Director of Religious Education, a [redacted] who resides at [redacted] New York City. She came to this country from [redacted] in 1947. [redacted] was wondering if there was any lead he could have which would give him a line on this person. I told him I did not know, but would check.

After checking and finding no record, I advised him we had not investigated her and could not help him. I told him to let us know if anything of any substance developed.

cc: Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
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*Communist Infiltration
into Religion*

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I know that you are extremely busy and I hesitate to bother you with this letter, but as a Minnesota attorney, who is presently employed on the staff of the School of Law of Stanford University in California, I very much need to know your opinion and belief on a particular matter involving the internal security of our country. I am writing to you, because I know of no other person in the world who would be as completely informed on this subject as you.

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I am a member of a local church committee which is studying a recent California statute which requires churches and other organizations seeking property tax exemptions to state that they do not advocate the violent or unlawful overthrow of the government. This has resulted in strenuous objections by various groups and individuals claiming that freedom of speech and religion are being infringed upon by this law. Having personally and, I might add, happily signed numerous "loyalty oaths" while in the United States Army, I am unable to subscribe to their views.

In explaining to this committee the need for various types of anti-communist legislation, among other things, I quoted from your statements in 1947 before a congressional committee on the extent of the Communist menace. Various members of our church groups feel that there is no longer any substantial threat to our liberties from Communist subversion. It is extremely important for me to know how you feel as to this subject in November of 1954. If you believe that the Communist menace is still acute today then I believe that this church group should know of it. If on the other hand you believe that Communists are no longer a substantial threat to our freedoms, then I believe I should know it, as I can withdraw my efforts from this field and devote them to possibly more fruitful and certainly more pleasant pursuits, elsewhere.

I will appreciate an early answer to this letter more than you can imagine and it will greatly influence my personal decision whether to continue fighting Communism and public apathy to the best of my ability by all of the fair, honest, legal and objective methods available or to withdraw from further activity in this field.

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Yours very truly,

[Redacted Signature]

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Menlo Park, California

Dear [redacted]

Your letter postmarked November 10, 1954, has been received, and I appreciate the interest which prompted you to write me.

Enclosed is a recent item concerning Communism. I feel sure that it will answer your questions.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

Director's speech accepting 1954 Cardinal Gibbons Medal.

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Gentlemen:

I've heard ^{that} you welcome information that might lead to the investigation of Communists and I truly believe that this very small group that is causing so much trouble in the Congregational Churches of US are of Communists leanings. Why else would such a very small group keep heckling a big strong Church like the Congregationalists.

I attended the General Council meetings in New Haven last summer and heard all the debates and I could just not think of anything else as I listened to their men speak and saw the caliber of people they are.

They do not even look like our people. They are sinister looking and some of them do not look at all like church people of any kind. They would huddle together and whisper and listen as though their lives depended on what happened while our own people were relaxed and willing to abide by the majority vote.

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They had their cheap, untidily dressed attorneys there to "prove" they were right. They told us we were not properly informed and did not know what we were voting for. Several did get up and make them stop that kind of talk, but mostly they did all the talking and our church leaders, such fine men as [redacted] and many others, were very polite to them and gave them every chance to say everything that was on their minds. They had a half dozen microphones scattered over the auditorium so that they could get up and speak from any place they were or could come to the platform.

1 *AM*
Their attorneys and other speakers would talk for an hour or more (they had to stop them for meals because the college at Yale could not upset their dining schedule) and when the votes were taken they would always come out around 76 votes for them and 986 votes for our side.

This letter concerns the Social Action group and I do not believe their arguments mean a thing - they just want to discredit ^{our} the Social Action group because they will fight Communism. *AM*

I have no official position in the church - am just a layman but I've been a Congregationalist all my life and my parents before me and nothing like this has ever occurred before.

I give it to you for what it is worth.

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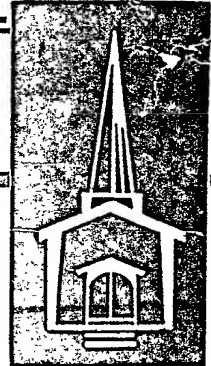
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NEWS LETTER



LEAGUE TO UPHOLD CONGREGATIONAL PRINCIPLES

August, 1954

Defenders of the Council for Social Action may have been cheered by the friendly reception accorded them by the General Council at New Haven, but the net effect of the business transacted is a stunning setback to them.

Findings vs. Recommendations

When the CSA first came under heavy fire two years ago, the Executive Committee of the General Council appointed a Board of Review to investigate its activities. It was the unanimous report of this body which at the New Haven General Council divided CSA supporters from critics. Critics thought the whole report should be approved; the CSA endeavored to get the General Council to disregard a vital part of it.

The document contained two principal sections: Findings and Recommendations. The Findings, a series of about thirty statements and suggestions, many of them sharply critical of the CSA, would substantially alter its program. The Recommendations (about one-third the length of the Findings) consisted largely of matters of procedure and form. Taken without the Findings, they have little meaning, and could be adhered to with little essential change in the past practices of the Council.

As an example of how greatly the meaning of the Board of Review report would be changed by disregarding the Findings, consider the matter of public pronouncements. The Findings require substantial unanimity in the denomination for such statements. In the Recommendations appears only an administrative provision requiring the votes of 14 of the 18 members of the CSA. With the Findings left out, the CSA could so interpret the Recommendations that 14 people could speak on behalf of 1,250,000 Congregationalists. On the other hand, if CSA must pay regard to the Findings, substantial unanimity of these 1,250,000 Congregationalists is required. This really means that CSA shall make no public pronouncements except on some such issue as a proposed law to subsidize the Catholic Church - against which proposal there would be real substantial unanimity in the denomination. Leaving out the Findings would change the meaning (as the CSA can interpret it) to almost the opposite of what was intended.

The New Haven Debate

The General Council was thus called upon to consider a vital question: whether or not to cut the heart from the Board of Review report. The CSA proposed to cut it out, and it got able assistance from the Executive Committee of the General Council. The latter presented to the General Council a series of by-law changes embodying without essential change seven of the nine Board of Review Recommendations. The Findings were disregarded.*

*The Executive Committee's attitude toward the Board of Review report is illustrated by the fact that it had even stricken from the Recommendations the provision to require balance and breadth of viewpoint in the CSA. This was later included but only after League members exposed the omission.

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To prevent the Findings from being discussed, these recommendations were presented as a series of nine separate resolutions, each dealing with a specific point. When League members tried to propose inclusion of the Findings, the chairman ruled them out of order. This maneuver was temporarily successful. Despite persistent efforts, CSA critics were prevented during one entire business session of the General Council from presenting an amendment which would have brought the full Review Report under consideration.

But General Council officials had made an egregious blunder. They had neglected to give the 24-hour notice required before changing the by-laws. When one of the League members reminded them of this, there was obvious consternation. A representative of the Executive Committee explained that "The recommendations were in the building for distribution yesterday." But despite this, the by-laws could not be changed that day.

The Executive Committee's program could only be approved as a report of the Committee of the Whole, and final enactment had to be postponed. The following Monday the Executive Committee's proposal was presented as a single unit. It was then impossible for the moderator to prevent the League from proposing an over-all amendment to include the Findings. This forced the General Council to the decisive vote in which it rejected the Findings overwhelmingly.

The About-Face

At that point the General Council and the CSA had succeeded in eliminating the most restrictive part of the Board of Review report, but they were unable to obscure the fact that they had emasculated the recommendations of a board appointed by the General Council's own Executive Committee. This action would be difficult to explain to the churches, especially since several members of the Board of Review were already clearly on record as saying the report should be adopted in full. To cope with this dilemma, CSA adherents did an astounding thing. They back-tracked and asked the General Council to accept these Findings as "advice and admonition," although not as legal directives. This motion, which carried overwhelmingly, was in effect an instruction by the CSA's parent body that CSA conform to the Findings.

The Net Effect

To sum it up, the Board of Review's Findings called for a complete about-face by the Council for Social Action. CSA defenders hoped that the General Council would take action which, while leaving the impression that the full report had been approved, would actually bury the Findings. Despite the fact that they had full support from the Executive Committee and an overwhelming majority of the delegates, they failed for two reasons. First, the opposition of League members forced them to consider and openly vote to reject the Findings. Second, apprehension over the effect of this action upon the churches led the CSA to sponsor the passage of a resolution which binds it to abide by the provisions of the very Findings it made such a strenuous effort to avoid.

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is most active in opposition yet his name does not appear here

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[Redacted]
Oakland 11, California

Dear [Redacted]

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Your letter postmarked November 5, 1954, with enclosure, has been received.

I sincerely appreciate the interest which prompted you to bring this matter to my attention.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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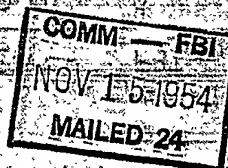
NOTE: Correspondent's letter and enclosure deals with apparent controversy within the Congregational Church. She feels that one group which opposes the majority of Congregationalists is composed of individuals who may be subversive. This appears to be strictly a religious controversy.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington D. C.
Nov - 12 - 1954

Dear Mr. Hoover -

What is this
"New Childrens Program"
Communist Infiltration INTO Religion
looks like a - Communist Program
to me.

I am a member of -
Luther Place Memorial Church -
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Washington D. C.

I Congratulate you on
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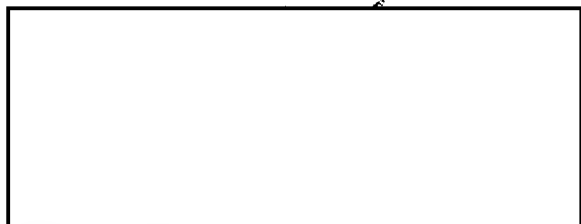
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Washington 11, D. C.

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated November 12, 1954, with enclosure, has been received, and I appreciate the interest which prompted you to write.

It was most thoughtful of you to bring this material and your observations to my attention, and I want to thank you. For your information, data in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. You may be interested in knowing that this Bureau is strictly a fact-finding agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions concerning the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I do hope that you understand the reasons for these rules and will not infer from my inability to be of assistance either that we do or that we do not have any information concerning the subject of your inquiry.

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Your expression of congratulations is indeed gratifying.

Sincerely yours,

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NOTE: Bufiles reflect limited but friendly correspondence with [redacted] concerning matters which are of no particular interest to the Bureau. She called at the Director's Office on 12-4-46, and wanted to inform Mr. Hoover of the bad influence which department stores are exerting over children (see rest of note on next page)

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with their Christmas displays. She was advised that Mr. Hoover was out of the office. (Bufile 66-3182-826) Although correspondent resided in Washington at the time of previous correspondence, her street address has changed.

Correspondent enclosed the front cover and four pages from *article X Stewart's Won a lot of Friends* "The Lutheran" dated September 15, 1954. Bufiles reflect that "The Lutheran" is the official organ of the United Penn Lutheran Church in America. The *New Children's Program* which correspondent has reference to is discussed in an article by Catharine Joram on page twelve of the enclosure. Bufile 61-3415-411, page three, reflects that as of May 15, 1944, Joram is a teacher; secretary-treasurer, Lutheran Peace Council, had been the secretary of the Philadelphia Branch of Fellowship of Reconciliation for two years. Bufiles reflect that the Fellowship of Reconciliation is a Socialist pacifist organization active in campaigning for racial equality and world peace.

Spelling of street in address per Washington Directory.

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THE CHURCH IN THE NEWS

"Luther" goes to London

There had been long hesitation among British film distributors in booking the *Martin Luther* movie. Film men said they didn't think it would be popular in their country. This month British Lion Films had decided to take the chance. The picture is scheduled to open Oct. 15 in the Rialto Theater in west-end London.

Plans were rounding out last week for showing the film in 58 countries, besides the U.S., Canada, and Germany where it had already been seen by millions. Overseas visitors in Evanston for the World Council assembly saw the picture during a one-week run in a local theater. Many agreed to help publicize the film when it appears in their homelands.

The *Luther* picture opens Oct. 1 throughout the U.S. in neighborhood

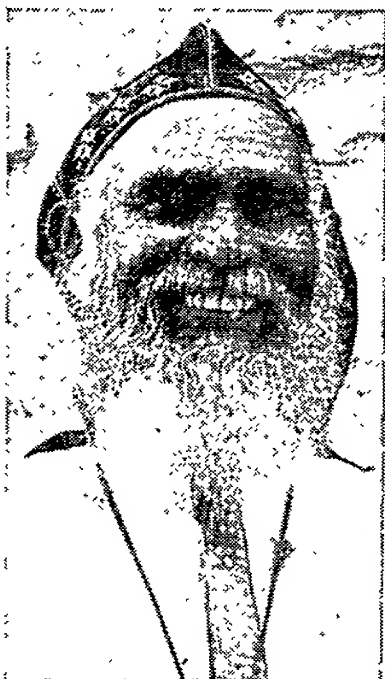
theaters at standard prices. Until now it has been shown only in first-run houses at above-average prices.

World heard about World Council

There was nobody in Evanston to report the World Council assembly for Tass, the Soviet Union news agency. But most of the other press services of the world, and many overseas newspapers were represented.

About 1,225,000 words of press reporting were filed in 17 days with Western Union, which placed 35 people and 15 teleprinters at work in the assembly press rooms. It was their biggest operation in the Chicago area since the 1952 presidential nominations. Seventy telephones were put in the press rooms. Illinois Bell executives estimated that more than 3 million words were spoken into them by newsmen.

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STRAIGHT TICKET

LATE ONE DULL OCTOBER AFTERNOON a group of our women went to hold service for the guests at the nearby Home for Elderly Widows and Maiden Ladies.

Some of the women had already gathered in the lounge when we arrived. But there were latecomers—a woman who came in with the aid of a chair that she pushed along in front of her, and another, blind, feeling the wall for guidance.

AS I PASSED OUT THE SONG BOOKS, I paused in front of the sightless latecomer. She sensed my presence and her wrinkled face broke into a smile as she said, "I can't see to read and I never could sing, but I come out to show how I'm votin'."

"Not a bad text for a sermon," I thought. "We all show how we're voting when the hour for worship arrives."

—PHILIP WAHLBERG



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CAREER DIPLOMATS have been in some ways the forgotten men of the State Department. Committed to go to whatever part of the world they are assigned, they live virtually in official exile. Many foreign service officers have spent little or no time serving in the U.S.

In pay scale, opportunities for advancement, and retirement provisions, the foreign service does not compare favorably with the much larger stateside staff of the department. Yet its officers are the "eyes and ears" of our government abroad. The formulation of U.S. foreign policy is dependent on the accuracy, the penetration, and the objectivity of their reports.

Morale in the foreign service has been on the decline in recent years. One reason has been the inadequacy of personnel policies. Another has been the feeling on the part of diplomats that their work has not been understood or appreciated by their countrymen. The tendency to malign the State Department has included its representatives abroad. A final factor has been the ineptness of security check-ups, with men of unimpeachable character and loyalty held in suspicion along with the few who turned out to be security risks.

Committee study

Concerned over sagging morale, John Foster Dulles appointed a public committee headed by Henry M. Wriston, president of Brown University, to study the functioning of the foreign service and to bring recommendations for its improvement. The committee made two major proposals: (1) integration of the foreign service with the rest of the State Department; and (2) more effective recruitment methods, including a nation-

wide system of competitive scholarships.

1. *Integration.* Administration of the foreign service has been completely separate from that of civil service personnel. There has been little interchange between the two, either of personnel or of function. Under the new system the two would be merged, State Department staff above the clerical level would be required to spend some time in service abroad, and foreign service officers would have a chance to bring their insights to policy-making service at home.

New importance would be given to competence in various specialties: economics, commerce, agriculture, labor, finance, law, foreign languages and culture. The "generalist" in diplomacy would be assisted by men of special experience and know-how, to match the increasing complexity of world conditions.

2. *Recruitment.* The present strength of the foreign service officer corps (1,285) needs to be at least tripled. To do this, new blood must be brought in which is widely representative of the American people, on a basis which will attract men of modest means as well as those with independent income.

The committee proposed a system of scholarships available to college students at the end of their sophomore year. Those who are chosen through competitive exams would be given \$900 a year for their last two years, and would agree to work in the foreign service for at least six years. While this needs new legislation to become effective, it seems probable that such a pattern will emerge. Christian college students may well find here a new and challenging invitation to government service.

—ROBERT E. VAN DEUSEN

Stewart's Won a Lot of Friends!

By CATHARINE JURAM

New children's program is gaining enthusiastic reception as congregations find that the youngsters profit by it

ONLY A YEAR AGO the new Children's Program of the United Lutheran Church was launched. At that time it was only a plan on paper. Today it is alive—and growing rapidly in every corner of the church, influencing thousands of boys and girls.

The program is designed to integrate and co-ordinate educational work among the children of a parish, especially those up to 12 years of age. It includes Sunday school, weekday school and vacation school courses as its educational base. In addition, there is a club program and an activities program to provide fun and engage the children in useful projects. Encouragement of home worship and stewardship round out the program.

Many churches that have adopted the plan are amazed at what has been accomplished. Others are taking it up each week, while still others are expanding their work into new phases of the program—organizing weekday church school, club and activity groups, or putting the new stewardship program into operation.

AS THEY TRAVEL across the country, the secretaries of the Board of Parish Education are impressed with the stories of how synods, conferences, and churches have taken hold of the new program and overcome all sorts of obstacles to put it into operation. Congregations which once

thought such a program could not work because of their scattered members, poor equipment, lack of teachers, or other difficulties, now realize that such problems can be solved.

Typical is the experience of Pastor John D. Ziegler, a rural pastor in Chapin, South Carolina. Last fall when he read about the new programs he wanted to get them started in his own congregation immediately. But there were obstacles! The children lived far apart. There was a problem of getting a teaching staff. But Pastor Ziegler felt that some plan could be made.

HE ARRANGED with the local school board to transport by bus all children attending the weekday church school in his church. Parents arranged car pools to take them home. They came for one and one-half hours every other week, all year. During the first hour they had a regular weekday church school. The second session was used for club activities.

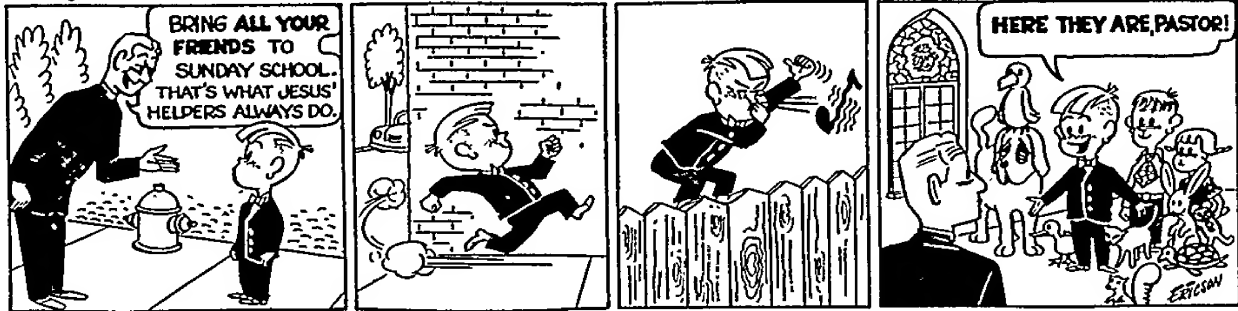
Before ordering the sets of children's weekday texts Pastor Ziegler wanted to make sure the materials were suited to each grade. He took samples of the books into homes and parents were asked to get reactions to the stories from their children. The response was enthusiastic. Pastor Ziegler taught some of the pupils himself until a sufficient number of teachers could be trained.

Before the new program was started the North and South Carolina synods had

Miss Joram is secretary for children's work of the Board of Parish Education.

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been very active in the Children of the Church. Many wondered how their leaders would respond to the enlarged weekday program, since these synods were among the first to adopt the plan.

In South Carolina, the synodical children's secretary, Sister Esther Bunge, arranged district meetings in the summer of 1953 to prepare all leaders for the new program. During the fall months leadership training classes were held. I arrived in Greenville one afternoon last October planning to talk with Sister Esther before retiring early to catch the 5:30 A.M. train the next morning for Georgia. But that evening I found myself on a bus with Sister Esther, traveling 80 miles each way to teach a class on the children's program. Sister Esther was conducting this class for six sessions. It was crowded with enthusiastic leaders who like the new program and wanted to know how to develop it. Before I left I was convinced that South Carolina would make the program work.

In North Carolina Mrs. Jacob Lackey,

the synodical children's secretary, made colorful posters and a life-size model of Stewart the Steward which she took to the many meetings she conducted. At the end of last spring 60 churches had organized weekday church schools and others were working on the club and activity programs.

The Maryland Synod was determined that no one could say, "We don't understand the program." Pastor Carroll Klug, synodical children's secretary, and the subcommittee on children's work set up an exhibit showing all the children's materials and their use in every phase of the children's program. This exhibit, kept in the synod office, has been made available to conferences of all kinds—missionary, ministerial, Sunday church school. Local churches borrow it, too. Usually a member of the children's subcommittee will go along with the exhibit to explain the program and answer the many questions people ask.

Stewart the Steward, that dynamic character of *Let's Go*, the news bulletin

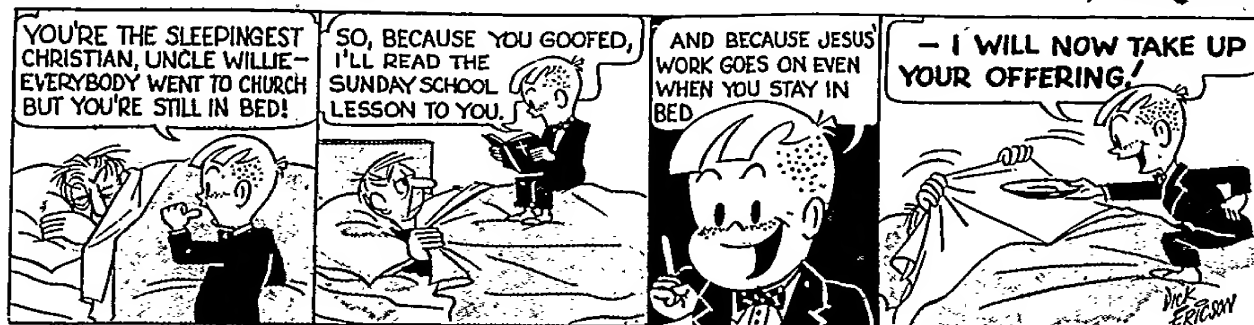
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for children, has been a powerful influence in the stewardship program. Down in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands where the children read Spanish Miss Frieda Hoh and two synodical children's secretaries, Miss Esperanza Mirando and Mrs. Beatrice Benjamin, decided to create a Spanish brother to Stewart. There is no name like Stewart in Spanish so they call him "Domo el Mayordomo" which means "Sunday Steward."

In a recent letter Miss Hoh writes, "Little Sonia is in fourth grade, but she said to me, 'Isn't it too bad that paper is all in English? I would like it so much better if I could read it in Spanish!' Maybe if I find the time, I'll mimeograph the most important things in Spanish for our children."

"Very near our church in Puerto Nuevo, there is an ice cream place called Dom's Dairy Cream. I told the children that I was sure Domo el Majordomo would not spend his nickels at Dom's but would put them in the Sunday school envelopes instead. Since our boys and girls use their envelopes every Sunday, our offerings have increased very much." Even in a land where children speak a different language Stewart is important.

Stewart is the creation of Dr. Henry Endress, ULCA stewardship secretary. Drawings are by Dick Ericson. Stewart gets his fan mail (and a lot of it, too) at Dr. Endress's office at 231 Madison Avenue, New York.

IF YOU VISIT Dr. Cedric Tilberg's church in Altoona, Pennsylvania, you will be amazed to see a live Stewart the Steward. When you see David Brownell you will think he stepped out of the top border of *Let's Go* and become a living model of Stewart. Not only does he resemble Stewart in his appearance but he has absorbed Stewart's spirit in serving the church. David is in the primary department of his church school. The children's secretary, Mrs. Marion Banks, tells



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us that David never misses a session of church school. He likes to read the Bible and tell stories of Jesus to other children. Every week he brings the smaller children to church. He keeps busy serving by gathering clothing for Lutheran World Action. Whenever *Let's Go* arrives he distributes it to the members of his church schools. "Stewart" David Brownell has made the new stewardship program come alive in First Lutheran Church.

At Pastor William Snyder's church in Erie, Pennsylvania, I saw posters on the wall. On one wall was a picture of the pastor and various illustrations of him at work—baptizing, teaching, preaching, and visiting the sick. Another told the story of Thiel College. The children at work with the club program had been discovering new ideas about their own church and learning many new things about the church at work in other places.

The mother of one little girl who had been in the "reporter's group" of the club program was present. Her daughter had written to Thiel College for information about this church institution in their synod. Catalogues and other materials had been sent to her. Sometime later when a program by Thiel College students was announced on the radio the girl was greatly excited. Thiel College had become a reality to her.

In the Ohio Synod Mrs. Ralph Kreider, the synodical children's secretary, and the subcommittee on children's work, are

arranging a series of meetings this fall, one in each conference. Sessions will be open only to pastors and children's secretaries so they can have special training in the new program. At each meeting trained leaders will conduct a panel on the children's program, followed by a browsing session, and a question and answer period. Members of the committee are writing a skit to dramatize the work of the secretary. A field secretary from the Board of Parish Education will participate.

IN ONE SYNOD the children's program went on the air. Pastor Paul Renz of the Georgia-Alabama Synod arranged with Mrs. E. G. Dewess, the synodical children's secretary, to have the program presented on television in Atlanta so that leaders could sit comfortably in their homes and learn about the new plan.

Pastors are appreciative of the way the program makes Sunday school an integral part of congregational activity, instead of bolstering it independently. As more and more congregations are taking up the children's program, it is no longer necessary to pack a suitcase and travel afar to see the program in operation. Congregations everywhere are now busily engaged in the effort to make it function smoothly and effectively as part of their whole program.

The children's program is alive and growing!

STEWART THE STEWARD



COMMENTS ON THE REPORT OF COMMISSION ON ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

By Dr. Oscar Carlson

President, Board of Social Missions

THE PRINCIPAL CHANGE in the polity of the United Lutheran Church recommended by the Commission on Organizational Structure is contained in the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the Church: "The Executive Board shall act for the United Lutheran Church in America . . . and shall be vested with all the powers conferred by the Constitution and By-laws upon the convention, subject to the regulations hereinafter set forth." Any who rejoice to see an all-powerful Executive Board shout "Amen," and all who are allergic to concentrated authority cry "To Arms!"

Fortunately, there is a view of the United Lutheran Church which can absorb and dissolve these antithetical alternatives. Briefly it is this: the church has matured into a definable personality which now can be and ought to be imprinted on all work which it sponsors and supports through boards, committees, auxiliaries, and agencies. This imprint naturally involves integration, supervision, and evaluation. The exercise of these powers will develop such uniformity and efficiency as true unity inspires and deserves.

Presidents and executive secretaries of the various boards of the church were asked by THE LUTHERAN to submit their observations on the report of the Commission on Organizational Structure, particularly as it affected their own boards. The replies will be published as fully as possible for the guidance of delegates to Toronto and for the information of church members.

THIS VIEW of the United Lutheran Church, to which I sincerely subscribe, finds congenial any changes in the structure of its organization which will enable it to conduct affairs most effectively and in closest harmony with its discovered genius. I have no doubt that this is what the commission has sought to recommend. In one important, fundamental respect, however, I believe the basic recommendation, quoted above, does not clarify nor embody the philosophy of the church's perfected unity and experienced genius. It is too easily interpreted as strengthening the Executive Board and weakening other boards. I believe a healthy and helpful change in the structure of the church would be to substitute a General Council for the Executive Board. (I am not in the least thinking of the personnel of the present board. With all the powers of the convention bequeathed to it a General Council should have at least 33 members: 15 pastors, 15 laymen and the three officers of the church.)

Is not a General Council the same as our Executive Board? What, then, is in a name? Enough to be significant. The church is a very psychologically sensitive organism.

In the first place, General Council carries a definite religious connotation. Executive Board carries a definitely business connotation. The terrifying danger of the church is seepage of the Spirit. We can become so fiscal we cease to be evangelical; so efficient we cease to be sufficient. Then, the Executive Board is now the executor of the biennial convention: it is not the heir. The Commission's

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

My name is [redacted] and I am in the U. S. Air Force for a four year enlistment. After my enlistment I plan to study for the ministry of Jesus Christ.

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I have a big problem in regard to the translation of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible, revised A. D. 1952 and published by Thomas Nelson & Sons.

According to the publishers some thirty-two of the foremost Biblical scholars and teachers worked upon the revision and translation of which I have a list of twenty-two, including their respective universities and the date they were appointed to the translation committee.

What I would like to know sir, is whether or not there is any truth to a very strong "rumor" that a number of these people on the committee were ever or are now communists, communist sympathizers, or on communist front organizations.

This rumor has caused a good deal of mistrust and misunderstanding among certain Christian individuals and denominations.

I realize your time is valuable and you can not give me any classified information, but any information on the subject would be a terrific aid and help to clarify doubts caused by possible communist tampering with the Revised Version.

The names of the twenty-two are as follows:
Luther A. Weigle -- Yale -- 1929 -- Chairman of committee
Julius A. Bower -- Union Theological Seminary -- 1930
Henry J. Cadbury -- Harvard University -- 1930
Edgar J. Goodspeed -- University of Chicago -- 1930
James Moffatt -- Union Theological Seminary -- 1930-1944 (deceased)

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William R. Taylor-- University of Toronto --1931-1951 (deceased)

Walter Russel Bowie -- Union Theological Seminary -- 1937

George Dahl -- Yale university -- 1937

Fredrick C. Grant -- Union Theological Seminary -- 1937

[redacted] -- University of Chicago -- 1937

Willard L. Sperry -- Harvard University -- 1937

Leroy Waterman -- University of Michigan -- 1937

Millar Burrows -- Yale University -- 1938

Clarence T. Craig -- Drew Theological Seminary -- 1938

Abdel R. Wentz -- Lutheran Theological Seminary Gettysburg -- 1938

Kyle M. Yates -- Southern Baptist Theological Seminary-- 1938

William F. Albright -- Johns Hopkins University -- 1945

J. Philip Hyatt -- Vanderbilt University -- 1945

Herbert G. May -- Oberlin Graduate School of Theology -- 1945

[redacted] -- Union Theological Seminary- 1945

Harry M. Orlinsky -- Jewish Institute of Religion, New York -- 1945

Fleming James -- University of the South -- 1947 - Executive secretary

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I have no idea who the other ten members of the committee are so I cannot help any more than I have.

Sir, your time is very much appreciated and I hope you can send me some information on this problem. Please send it to me at either of the following addresses. Thank you again.

Sincerely in Christ's name,

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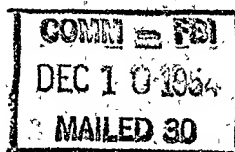
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Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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Mr. Hoover

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Dear Mr Hoover: I would like
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it very much.

There is ~~always~~ a lot of
criticism about the new Bible
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who were communists". Have
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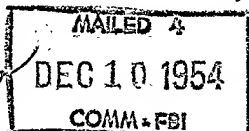
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January 13, 1955

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Ninth and Pennsylvania Avenues, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

This letter is written to inform you that the undersigned is
subscribing to the Daily Worker. I am having the communist
paper sent to me at 500 West 122nd St. in New York City, my
living address.

Such a step is made necessary by my continued research in the
field of communism and the churches. This project may bring me
into contact with other publications, organizations or
individuals directly or indirectly connected with the Communist
Party.

My own anti-Communist position is on record in my book, [redacted]
[redacted] published in August 1953 by Beacon Press in Boston.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

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New York 27, New York

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Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated January 13, 1955,
has been received.

You may be assured that the contents
of your communication are being made a matter
of permanent record in the files of this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - New York

SAC, NEW YORK:

Correspondent's letter, which reflects that
a copy was designated for your office, states that
correspondent has subscribed to the "Daily Worker" for
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Bufiles reflect that correspondent is the
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Jasper, Alabama

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of January 14, 1955, together with enclosure, has been received, and the thought prompting your bringing this material to my attention is very much appreciated.

In the event you acquire further data which you believe to be of interest to the FBI, please feel free to contact the representatives of our office located at 300 American Life Building, Birmingham 3, Alabama.

Sincerely yours,

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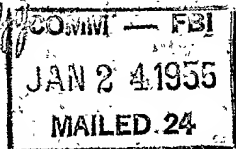
cc - Birmingham, with copy of incoming.

ATTENTION SAC: Correspondent enclosed an envelope postmarked 1-10-55, at Gadsden, Alabama, which transmitted to her two leaflets issued by the Progressive World, Post Office Box 27, Clifton, New Jersey, and the Friendship Liberal League, Inc., Box X, 5526 Westford Road, Philadelphia 20, Pennsylvania. Both of these leaflets were anti-religious in nature and the Bureau is aware of similar literature these groups distribute.

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Sincerely Yours

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Do You Know Your Bible?

WELL, YOU'D BETTER

The U.S. Constitution says religion must keep its nose out of the State's affairs (Public Schools). And if you know your Bible you would see that it did and should.

Your Bible is the vilest, most brutal, obscene, false and contradictory book in the world.

When a Texan attempted to send quotations from it through the mail he was convicted of mailing obscene literature.

It declares the world is flat, the center of the universe; that there are hobgoblins, unicorns, satyrs, cockatrices, billions of devils, and declares "thou shalt not suffer a witch to live." This damnable admonition of a man created god caused millions of innocent old women, young girls, and decrepit old men to be burned at the stake in Europe and humans hanged right here in America. A book that sets an example for young girls to get their fathers drunk—well let the Bible tell it: "He, Lot, dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters. And the first born said unto the younger. Our father is old and there is not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth: Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. And they made their father drink wine that night: And the first born went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down nor when she arose. And it came to pass on the morrow, that the first born said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. And they made their father drink wine that night also; and the younger arose and lay with him; and he perceived not when she laid down and when she arose.

"Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father." Gen. 19:30-36.

Do you say to your daughters, "Go thou and do likewise?"

A book in which a father offers to deliver his two virgin daughters to a mob saying: "Do ye to them as is good in your eyes". Gen. 19:8. A book in which god directs his soldiers to kill every male among the little ones and women that have known man by lying with him and to take thirty-two thousand virgins, and after the priests select what they want for themselves, the others of the thirty-two thousand were to be distributed among god's soldiers for their use. Num. Chapt. 31:17, 18, 36, 40.

A book that teaches incest, a brother to marry his sister; Gen. 20:12; a husband to sell his wife's virtue. Gen. 26:6-12; Gen. 12:11-19; 20:2-18; a book that teaches polygamy, Judges 8:30-31; [1 Kings 1:3; Gen. 29:23-30; 30:1-10;] a book that is so vile we dare not quote it, Gen. 38:7-9; a book you must read alone else you be ashamed. Exodus 22:19; Lev. 18:20-23; 20:11-21. Samson's escapade: Judges 16:4-21.

A book of "good examples?" where a foul priest delivers his concubine to a mob whose lust takes her life; Judges 19:22-30; an example like Ruth with Boaz. Should you read this lustful story to your budding daughters? Ruth 3:4-15; and this one: I Sam. 5:6, 9, 12.

Then how Daniel bought a wife. Too foul to quote. I Sam. 18:25-27. Should you have the teacher read to your daughter David's escapade with Bethsheba. II Sam. 11:2-27; or how an old libertine was satisfied with a young virgin, I King 1:2. Maybe your daughter should learn to cook the Ezekiel way, Ezekiel 14:12-15; of course you would want to read to her Ezekiel 23:1-44. ~~Maybe you had better read this last quotation first.~~

This vile book that is much revered but little read is crammed from cover to cover with such vile filth as that referred to above. We could fill a book with such slimy, vulgar citations, but should our children have their growing minds filled with material from such a foul book? ... Let us stop it!

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This story comes down to us from the ignorant past and as long as people can be kept ignorant, humble and afraid about a future world the clergy and their kind can live in luxury and ease, without doing any honest work, or helping to eliminate poverty and distress from the present world.

Intelligent people no longer believe this nonsense. They know that millions of years of Eternity passed before men appeared on earth and that the various stories of creation including the Christian, are myths and fables. All are products of the imagination of primitive men. All beliefs in a future life, better than the one here are but wishful thinking.

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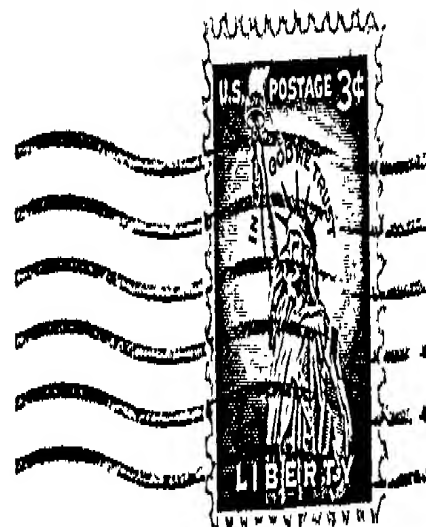
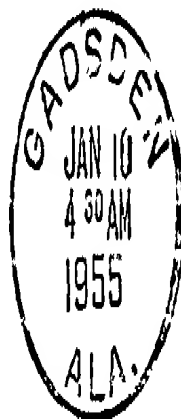
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February 16, 1955

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Maplewood, New Jersey

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter postmarked February 8, 1955, has been received.

You may be assured the contents of your communication will be made a permanent part of the records of this Bureau in accordance with your request.

Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

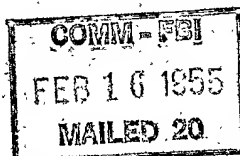
cc - Newark
New York

In summary, correspondent, aka. [Redacted] states she has observed trend of teaching on part of leaders of many Protestant churches which promotes Communist cause. As result she concluded she can best serve by helping others understand Communism, the diabolical conspiracy. She became a serious student of Communism about eight years ago when she read the Communist Manifesto. She has assembled literature of anti-Communist Protestant ministers, but has learned people are skeptical of these sources; therefore, the only alternative was to corroborate these writers by going directly to the Communist writers themselves. She purchased from the Workers Bookshop on 13th Street, New York City, a dozen books by Communist authors. In addition, she subscribed to the "Daily Worker" for four months at \$4.75, receipt #W-38034, 11-29-54. She reported this matter to the New York Office and was advised also to report to the Newark Office. She later decided to report the list of books purchased, which she

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

As an individual citizen who is interested in our country, and recognizing the communist threat to our National existence, I feel that I have a very definite responsibility. As an active member of a Baptist Church until recently, I have watched very closely the trend of teaching which the leaders of many Protestant Churches have taken, including my own. I am sure that few of these people are communists, but I am also sure that many of them are promoting the communist cause. Whether they do so through ignorance, or whether they believe it makes very little difference. The harm they do is equally damaging.

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I'm trying to decide what I could do about the matter, if anything, I finally came to the conclusion that I could best serve by helping others to understand what communism really is. I became a serious student of Communism about eight years ago, when I read for the first time, the Communist Manifesto. I did not confine my studies to the

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anti-communist writers, but rather to the original source, namely to the communist writers themselves, Marx, Stalin, East, Foster, Gannett, etc. I believe if more people were acquainted with the plans of the communists, not only for our country but for the entire world, Government agencies whose responsibility is to protect us, would not have such a difficult task. Consequently I decided the one small way in which I could serve would be to try and help people to a better understanding of this diabolical conspiracy. I have assembled packets of reprints from magazine articles, (Mercury, Readers Digest etc), also pamphlets written by anti-communist Protestant ministers (Dr. Mathews, McIntire, Fifield) and have sent them to people I have been working with. I find that many of them are highly skeptical of even these sources. I then decided the only alternative was to corroborate these writers, by going directly to the communist writers themselves. Consequently I purchased from the Workers Bookshop on 13th St in New York a list of books by communist authors.

"13 Communists Speak to the Court"

"The Communist Program"- Gannett

"Freedom Road"- East

- "Organizing the Party for Victory over Re-action"-Parker
- "Twilight of Western Capitalism"-Foster
- "Case of Porto Rico"
- "Income Revolution"-Perls.
- "On Practice" Mao-tse-tung
- "For Peaceful Co-existence"-Stalin
- "Anarchism or Socialism"-Stalin
- "F.D.R. Selections from his Writings" edited by P. Foster.
- "Problems of Leninism"-Stalin.

I also subscribed to the Daily Worker for four months paying \$4.75. Receipt No. W. 38034 - Date - 11-29-54. I called at your office in New York and reported this matter, and was instructed to report to the Newark office, which I did. I'm thinking it over later I concluded that it would be best to report the list of books also. I have these books distinctly marked and have no intention of loaning any of the books or copies of the Daily Worker to any one. Anyone desiring to study them will have to come to my home. I will therefore be assured they will not fall into the hands of any individual who might possibly become indoctrinated. Two different groups have requested that I act as co-ordinator for a study group.

It is not fear that prompts me to report this matter to you. I have absolutely no fear of either

the Federal Bureau of Investigation or any other government agency, as I am sure no one has, if he is innocent of wrong doing.

I would also like to make it clear that I have no intention whatsoever of trying to turn "investigator". As a former teacher in the Adult Bible School of my Church, I came in contact with such complete ignorance of Communism, that it is for this reason alone, that I interest myself in this cause.

Sincerely Yours



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does not intend to let out of her possession to be certain they do not fall into the hands of any individual who might possibly become indoctrinated. She states it is not fear which prompts her to report this matter and she has no intention of "trying to turn 'investigator.'" She concludes with the statement, "As a former teacher in the Adult Bible School of my church, I come in contact with such complete ignorance of Communism, that it is for this reason alone, that I interest myself in this cause."

The books purchased by the correspondent are listed as follows:

- "13 Communists Speak to the Court"
- "The Communist Program" - Gannett
- "Freedom Road" - Fast
- "Organizing the Party for Victory Over Re-Action" - Parker
- "Twilight of Western Capitalism" - Foster
- "Case of Porto Rico"
- "Income Revolution" - Perlo
- "On Practice" - Mao-tse-tung
- "For Peaceful Co-existence" - Stalin
- "Anarchism or Socialism" - Stalin
- "F.D.R. Selections from his Writings" edited by R. Foner
- "Problems of Leninism" - Stalin

Bureau indices negative re correspondent.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 14, 1955

FROM : SAC, Indianapolis (100-9312)

SUBJECT: FUND FOR THE REPUBLIC, INC.
STUDY ON COMMUNISM AND THE
CHURCHES, NEW YORK, NEW YORK
MISCELLANEOUS
INFORMATION CONCERNING*en*
Communist Infiltration into Religion

As of possible interest to the Bureau, there is enclosed herewith a photostatic copy of a letter recently received by the Editor of the Palladium Item and Sun-Telegram, Richmond, Indiana. This letter was furnished to SA IRA E. WILLIAMS by E. H. HARRIS, co-publisher of the Palladium Item. Mr. HARRIS advised SA WILLIAMS that the Fund of the Republic mentioned in the letter is sponsored by the Ford Foundation.

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STUDY ON COMMUNISM AND THE CHURCHES

3041 BROADWAY
NEW YORK 27, N. Y.

February 17, 1955

Editor,
Palladium Item and Sun-Telegram
Richmond, Ind.

Dear Editor,

We would appreciate the inclusion of the following in the letters-to-the-editor column of the Palladium Item and Sun-Telegram. Thank you.

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We are preparing a study on communism and the churches sponsored by the Fund for the Republic, Inc. Persons with information on either of the following topics are invited to communicate with us at [redacted] New York 27, N.Y.

(1) Documented evidence of actual communist attempts to infiltrate the churches or make use of clergymen - Protestant, Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, or Jewish. (2) Examples of false and irresponsible charges of communist influence on religion in America.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: March 25, 1955

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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Communist Infiltration into Religion

SYNOPSIS: A circular indicates that on March 28, 1955, a meeting will be held at the Meridian Hill Baptist Church which will be critical of the informant program. It is alleged that the [REDACTED] of the West Washington Baptist Church, will be speaker. [REDACTED] will also allegedly have something to do with this meeting. Current telephone directory and pretext calls failed to identify [REDACTED] of the West Washington Baptist Church, [REDACTED] of the Meridian Hill Baptist Church, [REDACTED] listed in telephone directory but no church affiliation shown.* Bufiles negative re [REDACTED] West Washington Baptist Church and [REDACTED] Communist front organization held meeting at Meridian Hill Baptist Church in February, 1952. Progressive party speaker talked there on February 19, 1954. One [REDACTED] filed application for Bureau employment as messenger in 1935. One [REDACTED] was on the D. C. committee of the "Militant Church Movement, Incorporated" in 1953. This organization originated in Louisville, Kentucky, and Communists attempted to make a front out of it. In 1940, [REDACTED] forwarded a news clipping to the Director and offered cooperation in regard to fight fifth column activities. Was cordially thanked by letter. In 1942, several postcards were sent through the mails in Charleston, South Carolina, warning people to stay off the streets after sundown because of a coming riot. [REDACTED] was a suspect and the Laboratory actually established that these cards were typed on his typewriter although he vigorously denied it.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For Information.

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Washington City Directory, 1954, [REDACTED] also affiliated with Meridian Hill Baptist Church.

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March 25, 1955

DETAILS

BACKGROUND:

A circular (not available) indicates that on March 28, 1955, a meeting will be held at the Meridian Hill Baptist Church which will be critical of the informant program. It is alleged that the [redacted] of the West Washington Baptist Church, will be the speaker. [redacted] will also allegedly have something to do with this meeting.

CLARIFICATION OF ABOVE CHURCHES AND CLERGYMEN PER CURRENT TELEPHONE DIRECTORY AND PRETEXT TELEPHONE CALLS:

[redacted] not identifiable and not listed in current telephone directory or other reference books.

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West Washington Baptist Church, 31st and N Streets, Northwest; [redacted] Study—
31st and N Streets, Northwest; Home—[redacted]
[redacted] Northwest.

Meridian Hill Baptist Church, 1725 Kalorama Road, Northwest; [redacted] Study—
1725 Kalorama Road, Northwest; Home—[redacted]
[redacted] Southeast.

[redacted] no
church affiliation shown.*

INFORMATION IN BUREAU FILES:

[redacted]
[redacted] is not identifiable in Bureau files. The current telephone directory fails to list any person by this name in Washington, D. C.

West Washington Baptist Church

Bureau files are negative concerning the West Washington Baptist Church of Washington, D. C.

*Washington City Directory, 1954, reflects [redacted] also affiliated with Meridian Hill Baptist Church.

Memorandum to Mr. Nichols

March 25, 1955

~~Meridian Hill Baptist Church~~

~~1725 Kalorama Rd. N.W. WASH. D.C.~~
The Bureau has a current Security Matter—C investigation concerning [redacted] who resides in Washington, and is employed as a [redacted] for the Pullman Company. He is a known member of the Communist Party, and the Washington Field Office has requested permission to interview him. A summary report in this case prepared by the Washington Field Office on August 28, 1952, reflects that on February 17, 1952, the subject attended a meeting at the Meridian Hill Baptist Church. This meeting was sponsored by the Emergency Committee to Defend [redacted]

[redacted] was [redacted] in [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] An informant has advised that the majority of the members of the Emergency Committee to Defend [redacted] are Communists and that the committee is dominated by the Communist Party. (100-393862-1)

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The Bureau has also conducted extensive investigation concerning Rebecca Rodman Pearlman under a Security Matter—C character. Pearlman is allegedly a member of the Communist Party and numerous Communist front organizations. In March, 1953, an informant of the Washington Field Office advised that Pearlman and her husband attended a mass meeting of the Committee to Defend [redacted] held on February 17, 1952, in the Meridian Hill Baptist Church. There were allegedly approximately 100 persons present at this meeting. (100-337026-13)

The Bureau is also currently conducting an investigation concerning one [redacted] under an Internal Security—R character. [redacted] has been known to visit the Russian Embassy. On February 13, 1954, an informant of the Washington Field Office made available a circular which read in part "In observance of Negro History Week, the Progressive Party of Washington, D. C., invites you to hear Dr. W. E. B. Dubois." The place and date reflected for this talk were Friday, February 19, 1954, 8:30 P.M., at the Meridian Hill Baptist Church, 1725 Kalorama Road, Northwest. Dubois was identified as an honorary chairman of the Progressive Party. (100-348715-36)

[redacted]
Bufiles reflect that on April 15, 1935, one [redacted] of Washington, D. C., filed formal application for Bureau employment as a messenger. He was advised by letter dated April 25, 1935, that his application would receive consideration. (67-58582, file, microfilm and abstract utilized)

Memorandum to Mr. Nichols

March 25, 1955

The Bureau has conducted limited investigation concerning the "Militant Church Movement, Incorporated" under an Internal Security—C caption. The "Militant Church Movement" originated in Louisville, Kentucky, and was originally composed of Negro Protestant ministers. In May, 1951, Carl Braden, leading figure in the Communist Party in Louisville, announced his intention of taking over the "Militant Church Movement," revitalizing it and attempting to use it in connection with Communist Party activities on racial issues in Louisville. In accordance with Braden's plans, the membership basis was broadened to admit lay representatives of all churches. As of May, 1954, Braden was secretary of the organization. The group has been relatively inactive since the Fall of 1953, and an informant advised that the Communist Party never completely controlled the group but had been able to influence and use it on occasions when the views of the "Militant Church Movement" coincided with the Communist Party line on racial issues. On January 29, 1953, a confidential informant of the Louisville Office exhibited a letterhead he had received from the "Militant Church Movement" which set forth the officers. Under a caption "D. C. Committee," a number of names were listed and one of the names listed was [redacted] (100-386887-4)

[redacted]
[redacted]
Under cover of a letter dated June 6, 1940, the [redacted] then [redacted] of the King Street Baptist Church, 832 Rutledge Avenue, Charleston, South Carolina, forwarded to the Director a news clipping from a Charleston, South Carolina, newspaper headlined "Union Group Formed to Spy on Possible Community Spies." The news story indicated that this group was probably a vigilante-type group, but in his cover letter, [redacted] stated they had the approval of the local police and [redacted] offered the services of the organization to assist the Bureau in combating fifth column activities. [redacted] letter was cordially acknowledged on August 3, 1940, and he was thanked for his expression of loyalty and the Presidential Directive of September 6, 1939, relative to matters of espionage, sabotage and related internal security matters, was set forth in this letter. (65-2078-352)

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In the latter months of 1942, we conducted considerable investigation to identify the signer of several cards which were transmitted through the mail to persons in Charleston, South Carolina, bearing a typewritten message warning them to stay

Memorandum to Mr. Nichols

March 25, 1955

off the streets after sundown, September 16, 1942, due to reports of a coming riot. [redacted] was a suspect in this matter, although he was interviewed by Agents of the Savannah Office at Charleston on January 11, 1943. He denied any knowledge of the warning cards having been sent through the mail. With his permission, typewriter specimens from his typewriter were obtained and forwarded to the Bureau Laboratory. The Laboratory ascertained that the warning cards had been typed on [redacted] typewriter. [redacted] was reinterviewed and vigorously denied any knowledge of these cards. The facts in this matter were presented to the U. S. Attorney at Charleston who declined prosecution on the basis that the facts did not constitute a Federal violation. (100-135-49-17, 44, 56; 100-153341)

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The current telephone directory reflects that the [redacted] resides at [redacted] Washington, D. C. No church affiliation is shown, and Bureau files are negative concerning [redacted] The Washington City Directory, 1954, reflects [redacted] is also affiliated with Meridian Hill Baptist Church.

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George Goldstein
Legislative Representative
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Monday, March 28, 8:30 P.M.
Meridian Hill Baptist Church, 1725 Kalorama Road, N. W.

Auspices: Progressive Party of the District of Columbia
930 F St., N.W.
Phone: ME 8-2477

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

The enclosed brochure describes a film that has just been put out by the Board of Social and Economic Relations of the Methodist Church. Or, more correctly speaking, by the Centron Corporation of Lawrence, Kansas, for ~~this board~~.

I am a member of the Methodist church, have been on the official board of my local church for fifty years, and of course believe in the church organization and administration. But this brochure looks to me like the Communists might have slipped in a little of their work on this film. I am intensely interested in seeing that does not happen, or if it has happened already that the film is not circulated.

Will you kindly let me know whether your office has any information that connects this film in any way with communism? And information will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Roy A. Horton

Roy A. Horton
Box 143
Stillwater, Okla.

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Mr. Roy A. Horton
Box 143
Stillwater, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Horton:

Your letter of April 8, 1955, with enclosure, has been received.

In response to your request, I wish to advise that information in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out that this Bureau is strictly a fact-gathering agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I hope that you will understand the reasons for these rules and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have information concerning the subject of your inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Correspondent, the ~~Centron~~ Corporation, Board of Social and Economic Relations of the Methodist Church, and "The Sound of Stone" are not identifiable in Bufiles.

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- There are moral and spiritual foundations under our civil liberties.
- Great damage is done by false accusation.
- It is difficult if not impossible to erase the havoc created by false rumors.
- Our civil rights are not preserved and expanded by one meeting, or one speech, or one sermon. Continuous and vigorous effort is required.
- The opportunity to dissent, to teach, to learn is basic to democratic life.





Stewart, Minn

Apr. 9 1953

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F. B. I., Washington, D. C.,

Dear Sirs:

I have read occasionally about Communist attempts at infiltration of churches including the statements of Herbert Philbrick.

Recently, I heard a speaker say that a certain church has the highest percentage of Communist ministers.

Does the F. B. I. have reliable information on this matter and can you let me know which church has the "highest percentage of Communist ministers"? Or, do you know of any source for such information?

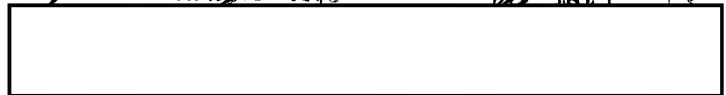
If you have such information, but as a matter of policy do not give it out (except perhaps as classified material) do you know of any individual or organization that is in a position to speak authoritatively on the matter?

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Communist Infiltration into Religion

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[Redacted]
Atwater, Minnesota

Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of April 9, 1955, has been received, and I appreciate your interest in writing.

In response to your request, I wish to advise that information in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out that this Bureau is strictly a fact-gathering agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I hope you will understand the reasons for these rules and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have information concerning the subject of your inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Note: Above answer deemed advisable inasmuch as correspondent inquires re Communist infiltration of churches and which church had the "highest percentage of Communist ministers." Correspondent not identifiable in Bufiles. NO REFERRAL BELIEVED ADVISABLE.

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Minneapolis 16, Minn.
April 9, 1955

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D.C.

Communist INFILTRATION INTO Religion

Dear Mr. Hoover:

On November 17, 1954 I had a reply from you in answer to a letter which I had sent to you for information regarding the menace of Communism.

Upon receipt of this material I wrote and thanked you for it. I feel that I again want to communicate with you. I want to tell you how much I have been able to use this information and want you to know that it is serving a good cause. I was in California at the time that I wrote to you and was a member of a Social and Economic Relations Committee of the church to which I then belonged. I was astonished at the attitude of the majority of the members of this committee. It was amazing and discouraging to find that the members of this committee for the most part wanted to go along under the assumption that communism was not a threat and that it was not necessary to be alert and work against it. I was very thankful indeed for your information, and I enjoyed using it to the best of my ability in this work. I am sure it was effective too.

I am now living in Minneapolis, where I resided for some years prior to my military service, and where I graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1952. So far at least, I do not find the same bad conditions here in regard to communism and apathy as I found on the West Coast. However feeling as I do about these things, I do feel that no one should relax in the fight against it. I presently have rejoined a church in Minneapolis which has a membership of over five thousand. Our head minister has just been appointed to be President of Garrett Biblical Institute and will soon be taking over this position. I called upon him recently and took with me the valuable material which I received from you, and many other pamphlets and booklets which I gathered together while in California. I spent some time telling him the alarming conditions that I had found on the West Coast in churches and schools regarding communism and public indifference. He had received a similar report from other California friends just prior to my visit. I believe that he is going to be in a strategic position in the future and if he can keep the wrong people with the wrong ideas from penetrating this university for young ministers, it will be performing a very valuable mission. I already knew that this fine minister had no sympathies for communism, but I wanted to encourage him and give him support in his thinking. I found on the West Coast that there is a lack of support for people who oppose communism and support its control and limitation.

This minister was deeply impressed with the message which I obtained from you. He asked me if I could get such papers for him and I promised him that I would write to you and ask. I would greatly appreciate it if you would mail to me the same message and any additional available materials which you may have and could distribute in this fight against Communism and public apathy.

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If it is possible to send to me a few additional copies of your splendid message, I would greatly appreciate it and would gladly pay any costs. I would like to see my university alumni magazine and others receive and use your wonderful advice. I feel certain that I could utilize as many as you would send and would put them to very good use.

Thanking you again for your generous assistance, I remain,

Yours very truly,



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*P.S. The message to which I refer was your remarks
on receiving the Cardinal Gibbons award.*

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April 14, 1955

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Minneapolis 16, Minnesota

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of April 9, 1955, has been received, and I am indeed pleased the material I sent to you earlier has been of use to you.

I am happy to enclose copies of my speech accepting the 1954 Cardinal Gibbons Award and some additional material which I trust will be of assistance.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Enclosures (14)

10 copies - Remarks of J. Edgar Hoover at Banquet receiving Cardinal Gibbons Award.

The Communists Are After Our Minds
Where Do We Stand Today With Communism in the United States
Breaking the Communist Spell
Communism in the U.S.A.

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NOTE: By Bulet dated 11-17-54 [redacted] was forwarded a copy of the Director's speech accepting the 1954 Cardinal Gibbons Medal. There is no further record identifiable with [redacted] in Bufiles.

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Maplewood N.J.

April 20, 55

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

Washington D.C.

Communist Infiltration into Religion

My Dear Mr. Hoover:

I'm a registered letter post-marked Feb. 8 '55, I wrote you setting forth my reasons for my interest in the anti-communist cause, namely the Communist infiltration in the Protestant churches. Your reply dated Feb. 16, stated the contents of that communication would be made a part of the permanent records of your bureau. I therefore I will not go into ^{the} details of that letter. Conditions have not improved since that time, as a matter of fact they have become increasingly worse. I believe the enclosed communication indicates that [redacted] was involved in the Mid-century Peace Conference, and has carried on intensive opposition to all government agencies which are investigating Communism. The only response the church makes to those of us who have complained about his pro-communist activities is "that he is not a Communist." We have never made the charge that [redacted] is a member of the Communist party, but that [redacted]

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opinion he is promoting the communist cause. He was extremely active against the Congressional Committee, and the enclosed communication is an example of his opposition to your department.

This man and thousands like him in the Protestant churches are poisoning the minds of many people who would otherwise be loyal citizens. If these men insist on getting into politics they should realize they will have to assume responsibility for what they say and do, and cannot hide behind their ecclesiastical cloak by resorting to the fifth amendment and the Freedom of Religion clause. If they are so adamant in keeping the government out of the church, they should realize they will have to keep the church out of the government. They should realize also, that when they make the wrong decisions they must expect to suffer the same consequences as any political organization in like circumstances.

I do not believe I am overly solicitous of this situation and it is for that reason I pass this material on to you. I thank you for the great work you are doing under such a terrific handicap. I appreciate your attention in the past —

Sincerely Yours,

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TRUE COPY

Maplewood, N. J.
April 20, '55
[redacted]

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Washington, D. C.

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Sincerely yours

/s/ [redacted]
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April 28, 1955

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Maplewood, New Jersey

Dear

Your letter dated April 20, 1955, together with the enclosures, has been received.

In the event you receive additional information which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, you may desire to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Newark Office located at 1836 Raymond-Commerce Building, Newark 2, New Jersey.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Newark (with copy of incoming)
New York (with copy of incoming)

SAC'S, NEWARK AND NEW YORK:

Correspondent's letter enclosed a publication dated March 13, 1955, entitled "News Briefs," issued by the Council on Christian Social Progress (CCSP), 152 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, Donald B. Cloward, Editor. The publication questions in part the use of former Communists as witnesses and states that in the case of Matusow even the FBI is under a shadow because presumably it had investigated and cleared Matusow in the beginning.

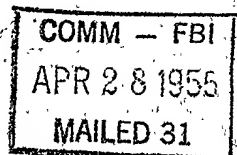
Correspondent's letter also enclosed other material pertaining to church matters, a review of which disclosed no pertinent information of interest to the Bureau.

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New York Offices. (100-403529-42)

The files do not disclose that the CCSP has been investigated by the Bureau or that it is Communist dominated or infiltrated. (94-37655 and 61-10149-1058)

The files reflect that the name of [redacted] was on a list of signatures contained in an open letter addressed to Congress urging the defeat of the President's armament program in December, 1949. (100-364437-7)

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Previous letter of correspondent, consisting of four pages, set forth in substance that she had observed Communist trends in the churches and that she had subscribed to the "Daily Worker" and purchased various books about Communism in order to combat the evils of Communism. She was informed that the contents of her letter would be made a matter of record in the files of the Bureau. (100-403529-42)

NEWS BRIEFS

for Action

Vol. 10

Issued by the Council on Christian Social Progress

No. 3

Donald B. Cloward, Editor

March, 1955

"How can Satan cast out Satan" Mark 3:23

EVIL BREEDS EVIL Recent events in Washington recall the above words used in NEWS BRIEFS for June 1953 to describe the spectacle of evil men trying to root out evil. Now another chapter in this sordid witch hunt is the exposure of one, Matusow, a self confessed liar. Matusow, a former Communist who left the party in 1951, has become one of the star witnesses, paid by the U S government as a professional witness against suspected Communists. Now he says he lied not once but many times and not merely about Communists but also about such men as Owen Lattimore. He admits that much of his testimony under oath was mere heresay. How many innocent souls have been blackened by his testimony and the use made of it by irresponsible committees is not fully known. But if we needed a final reason for a rethinking of our whole security procedure his conduct ought to provide it. For even the FBI is under the shadow as, presumably it had investigated and cleared him in the beginning.

MORE ON UMT As we reported earlier, UMT is tied up with long range planning for military service. Options, according to H R 2967, now before the House Committee on Armed Services, include the choice of enlistment in the various services for from 3 to 4 years with a reserve period to follow bringing the military obligation to 8 - 10 years in all. A second choice is the UMT section which provides that within limited quotas young men below the age of 19 can volunteer for 6 months military training, but must sign an obligation to stay in the reserves for 9½ additional years, with training each week and a period in the summer. They may be inducted into the army anytime during this period should they fail to meet reserve requirement. The third choice is to wait for induction through selective service for 2 years in the army plus 6 years in the reserve. So our youth have options but very limited ones if this bill becomes law. We will report later as the lines become more clearly drawn, but just now this looks like the toughest UMT legislation the Congress has had before it. Reader, write your Congressman for his stand on this measure.

GREEN LAKE 1955 The CCSP Green Lake Workshop dates are August 20-27 this year. We are building up a great team of leaders for the summer workshop, whose theme will be "Christian Vocation", or the "Layman and his Daily Work". This incidentally is the CCSP emphasis for the year beginning with the Atlantic City Convention. Here is a program tailored to suit the needs of all Christians. Some one from your church should be coming to share in this search for the Christian meaning of daily work. Write early for a descriptive folder.

REPORT FROM THE WEST January found the Editor holding a series of training conferences along the western seaboard. Southern California brought together 120 churchmen for a one day session at Alhambra, the largest and most enthusiastic group of any year. In Northern California four workshops were held in cooperation with the Disciples (Christians) with sessions in Selma, San Jose, Chico and Berkeley with many churches of Northern California sending delegates to one or the other of these centers. Oregon had one at McMinnville and Washington took advantage of the winter session of the state legislature to stage a legislative seminar at Olympia, the state capitol. Pulpit appearances on three successive Sundays and numerous meetings with the church groups rounded out the three week trip. The Editor remained over in Oregon a few extra days in February to take part in the Oregon Council of Churches Convocation at Eugene before returning east again. Everywhere along the west coast ministers and laymen alike are moving ahead in the area of Christian social concern.

GREAT DECISIONS PROGRAM Nor do the churches work alone. Oregon and southwestern Washington are experimenting with community programs of a far reaching nature. Promoted by the World Affairs Council of Oregon and running from February 20 to April 17, discussion groups will be meeting in each community to consider major issues of American foreign policy with a view to relaying opinions reached in these small groups to our officials in Washington. Poster-sized fact sheets are being made available to each discussion group by the Foreign Policy Association, and weekly radio and television programs will be on the air. Church leaders will certainly be involved in this gigantic experiment and some of the discussion groups may be in local churches of the area. Yes, the west is on the march.

PRAY FOR PEACE "In this hour when the peace of mankind is imperiled, the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., through its president, Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, calls upon the people of the churches to pray:

"That God's will for justice and concord among the nations will prevail.

"That divine wisdom and understanding may be given the President of the United States and his advisors to the end that the present crisis may be resolved without war.

"That the United Nations will remain steadfast in its purpose to establish the conditions of peace and thereby save the world from the scourge of war.

"That our government will persist in its effort to find, through the processes of negotiation, a solution which will establish both justice and peace."

News Release February 5, 1955

BRIEFS "War has become a Frankenstein to destroy both sides. If you lose, you are annihilated. If you win, you stand only to lose We should now proclaim our readiness to abolish war in concert with the great powers of the world. The result would be magical."

MacArthur in Los Angeles Speech Jan. 26, 1955

"A free government, with an uncontrolled power of military conscription, is the most ridiculous and abominable contradiction and nonsense that ever entered into the heads of men."

Daniel Webster - US House of Representatives
January 14, 1955 (Progressive - February 1955)

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and Youth Work

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and Church Extension

April 14, 1954

Dear Fellow Pastor:

The enclosed copy of a release from the Council of Christian Social Progress of the American Baptist Convention should be widely used in our churches for study and discussion.

In our church here in Red Bank a special committee has been asked to study this resolution, and related materials on the subject, and be prepared to lead a discussion at a church business meeting in May. This will give our delegates to the Minneapolis Convention some idea of the position of our church on this and similar issues.

Our committee hopes that there will be study, discussion and the adoption of this or better resolutions in local churches throughout the state.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]
Social Action Committee

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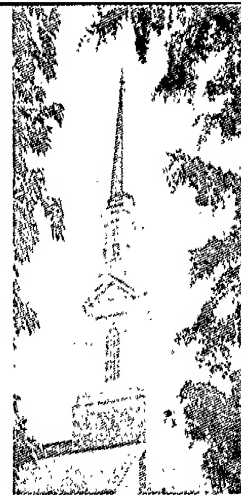
The Executive Secretary recommended for background reading in preparation for the Convention last year, the following. —

"Apostles of Discord" Ralph Ray

"Age of Suspicion" James Wechsler

"Letter to Presbyterians" Dr. Mackay —

- The Resolution we had experimented with for discussion purposes in the churches before adoption in Minneapolis is now official in an abbreviated form (See Congressional Investigations . . IV. 5). The study and action already entered into by numerous churches before adoption by the Convention could now be continued by other groups. Changes in Congressional procedures will surely come if thoughtful people inform themselves and discuss the matter with their representatives.
- The fall elections afford the occasion for putting another resolution into practice (See Christians and Politics . . IV. 1). Each must spell this out in his own language, but the music of citizenship should be the same.
- Other resolutions will lend themselves to similar treatment. Draw up your own set, and submit them to us for study and re-submission to the churches this year. Also, when you take some implementing action on resolutions be sure to let us know (See VI, Implementation).
- Copies of the 1954 Minneapolis Convention Resolutions are available. Write for your copies . . up to 10 to each church. Larger quantities may be secured at \$1.00 per hundred.



LOCAL CHURCH

STUDY AND ACTION GUIDE FOR IMPLEMENTING CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

The Council on Christian Social Progress

AMERICAN BAPTIST CONVENTION

152 Madison Avenue

New York 16, N. Y.

Quantity rates: \$1.00 per hundred

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Prepared by:

THE COUNCIL ON CHRISTIAN SOCIAL PROGRESS

American Baptist Convention

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WHY WE ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

- American Baptist Convention Resolutions help to focus attention of Baptists on great moral issues of social and political concern.
- They serve to call these issues to the attention of the public through press and radio.
- They are a means of advising Baptists in our churches who are not in attendance at an annual convention session of the decisions of the delegates regarding certain public issues.
- They serve as a guide for similar resolutions which State Conventions, Associations, and local churches may pass on their own behalf.
- They are valuable in Christian citizenship responsibility as some of them are used to register Baptist concern with the President and the Congress when particular issues are before the Congress.
- The Council on Christian Social Progress uses them as directives in its legislative activity: in writing to members of Congress and The State Department; in appearance before Committees of the Congress; in urging Baptists to register opinions with their own representative in The Congress; in press releases to inform the public of convention action; in joining forces with other denominations in support of or opposition to proposed legislation. Responsible leaders in the State Department and the Congress welcome and study positions taken by national religious groups as they formulate foreign policy.

WHOSE RESOLUTIONS ARE THEY?

Baptists are not always clear about their right to adopt resolutions dealing with broad social policy. "Can any Baptist speak for any other Baptist?" some ask. And the answer is NO.

FOR whom then does the Convention speak? For itself alone.

Resolutions presented through the Resolutions Committee or direct to the floor of the Convention may be adopted after debate and then become the official public statement of that Baptist group. Thus a Convention may go on public record with regard to the Vatican issue, the United Nations, or UMT. Printed copies of resolutions as adopted are then circulated each year through the Council on Christian Social Progress for study and action in the churches of the American Baptist Convention.

BUT no Baptist group can speak for all Baptists or for any particular Baptist unless he concurs in the action taken by the group. Convention resolutions are therefore not binding on any State Convention, Association or local church. Thus is preserved the historic Baptist right of self expression and dissent.

HOWEVER ABC Resolutions are directives to Convention officers and national agencies to the degree those agencies are subject to Convention mandates.

MOREOVER such resolutions become valuable guides to individuals and groups who wish to use them for study and action in the local church.

HOW TO USE RESOLUTIONS

for Study and Action in the Local Church

- Some groups make them the basis for several weeks' discussion programs in the church.
- Individuals often use them as a basis for letters which they write to the President and members of the Congress when important legislation is being considered in Washington.
- Some State Convention Monthly-Bulletins and many local church calendars carry reference to particular ones during the year: for example, the UN resolution in October; the Human Rights resolution in December.



SOME WAYS in Which the Former Resolutions have been used

● Separation of Church and State

This resolution voiced opposition to any kind of diplomatic relations with the Vatican and called for vigilance on the part of Baptists; authorized the General Council to send the resolution to the chairman of each major political party, and to the candidates when chosen. Each of the above steps were taken by responsible Convention officials during the summer and fall of 1952. Moreover many Baptists as a result of this resolution sent their own letters to Congressional leaders. Several State Conventions meeting in the fall implemented the ABC action with resolutions of their own.

● Denominational Resolutions

For some years the CCSP has been working with the General Council and the Program Committee (1) to get adequate time on Convention for discussion of resolutions (2) to restudy method of adopting resolutions (3) to circulate resolutions in advance of the Convention for study in the churches. The Resolution embodying these proposals passed in Denver has already borne some fruit. More time is promised, the study is underway, and the Resolutions have been streamlined as the 1954 product shows. We still must find better ways to implement them (see #VI Implementation).

SUGGESTED WAYS for Using the Minneapolis 1954 Resolutions

● Human Rights: Peril on Two Fronts

The great Roger Williams Affirmation issued by the Minneapolis Convention and included now in the Resolutions, lends itself to special treatment by church groups. It could well be read in any morning worship service; copies could be mimeographed and inserted in church bulletins; it could form the basis for further study and discussion with church groups.

RESOLUTIONS

Adopted by the
American Baptist Convention

Minneapolis, Minnesota, May 28, 1954

For additional copies of these resolutions write to the

Council on Christian Social Progress
American Baptist Convention
152 Madison Avenue, New York 16, N. Y.

I. APPRECIATION

In appreciation of the hospitality shown us by Minneapolis and St. Paul, we take this opportunity to express our thanks to the civic leaders, the churches, the press, the radio and TV stations, and all others who have made our stay in this city memorable.

We express especial thanks to the Twin City Baptist Union, the State Board of Promotion, and every member of the local committee. We pray God's richest blessing upon them as they establish a state convention fully cooperative with the American Baptist Convention.

II. DENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS

1. EVANGELISM

We urge the continuation of a strong and vital program of evangelism for the purpose of winning the lost to Christ, quickening the spiritual life of active members, re-enlisting indifferent resident members, placing non-resident members in churches near where they live; and we encourage united effort and prayer for a nation-wide spiritual awakening.

2. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We encourage all churches, associational and state organizations to enter wholeheartedly into our denominational program of effective Christian education essential to our advance as American Baptists. To this end we urge the use of our Judson materials in every American Baptist church school.

3. MISSIONS

We reaffirm the urgency of sharing the Gospel of Christ with all peoples of the world, and we therefore pledge anew our support to the boards and agencies of the denomination in the expansion of the missionary program. We commend our denominational leaders and missionaries for their effective leadership in this hour of need.

4. STEWARDSHIP

We urge the continuation of the Every Member Enlistment Sector Program with the new emphasis on "Planning for Action Conferences"; and we recommend the Biblical practice of the tithe as the minimum for the faithful steward's response.

5. CHURCHES FOR NEW FRONTIERS

We urgently desire the continuing support of the Churches for New Frontiers program. In the light of the religious significance of expanding under-churched communities across the nation, we call upon every Baptist church to assume its full responsibility in this great undertaking.

6. PASTORS' SALARIES

We call attention to the fact that many of our pastors still receive inadequate incomes, and urge each church to face this situation seriously with a view to giving fair compensation to its ministry.

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7. FOSTER HOMES FOR NEEDY CHILDREN

We encourage the members of the churches of our Convention to open their homes to foster children as the best means of caring for homeless and needy boys and girls. We recognize this as one of the finest kinds of Christian service, a means of providing Christian nurture and preventing possible delinquency.

8. CHRISTIAN YOUTH RECRUITMENT

It is imperative that ways and means be provided whereby an increased number of scholarships can be given each year to deserving young people. We therefore urge ~~The Board of Education and Publication of the American Baptist Convention, state Baptist conventions, associations and local churches to seek means by which~~ these scholarships may be multiplied. We call upon pastors and other youth leaders to challenge youth to consider the commitment of their lives to the urgent task of carrying the message of Christ to the ends of the earth.

9. MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

We recommend more attention to the planning and administering of programs relating to Christian marriage and family life. We urge all pastors to adopt the practice of pre-marital counseling.

We strongly recommend to all our churches the use of American Baptist home-related literature and the promotion of family worship including mealtime grace and regular home Bible reading and prayer.

10. HOMES FOR THE AGED

Recognizing the increasing problems of the older members of our churches and communities, we urge active participation by our churches in planning for the welfare of the aging, and we encourage the establishment of adequate homes in areas where they are needed.

III. INTERDENOMINATIONAL AFFAIRS

1. COOPERATION

Paganism in any of its forms will be combatted successfully only by a united Christendom. It is mandatory that we give our wholehearted support at all levels of interdenominational cooperation. We especially encourage earnest prayer for the success of the World Council of Churches with immediate concern for the meetings in Evanston, Illinois, this year.

2. WEST POINT CHAPLAINCY

In order to provide a more effective religious ministry to the Corps of Cadets, the staff and faculty, and all other personnel at the United States Military Academy; and in consonance with our national traditions and our present integrated national defense structure, the American Baptist Convention hereby requests the current session of the Congress of the United States to repeal the act entitled, "An Act to Amend Section 1309, Revised Statutes, providing a Chaplain for the Military Academy," approved February 18, 1896, and all amendments thereto; in order that religious ministry may be provided at the Military Academy by the Corps of Chaplains of the United States Army in the same manner as in all other army posts and organizations, and in the same manner now in effect at the United States Naval Academy, and as contemplated at the future United States Air Force Academy.

IV. NATIONAL AFFAIRS

1. CHRISTIANS AND POLITICS

Since we as Christians live and move and have our being not only in fellowship with God but in a human community in which we are involved in each other's lives, we affirm the importance of the part the Christian individual plays in politics. We call upon all American Baptists to join the growing ranks of those in our churches who are assuming responsibilities as citizens not only by voting, but by participating in party precinct affairs, seeking public office, making their voices heard in city council meetings, state and national legislatures.

It is our specific desire that local church social action committees be urged prior to approaching elections to make available to their fellow Baptists reliable and non-partisan material concerning candidates and platforms.

2. THE AMERICAN INDIAN

Our Federal government during past years has sought to terminate Federal supervision of the American Indians to the end that they attain equal status with other Americans. We believe such steps to be right, and we endorse the aims of the Department of the Interior to remove American Indians from a state of dependency. However, we express concern regarding that portion of the legislation already enacted which was initiated without full consultation with each tribe affected. We urge that Congress review this action and adopt further legislation only after considering the desires and needs of the specific tribes.

3. ALCOHOL ADVERTISING

We support the Bryson Bill (HR 1227) intended to prohibit interstate advertising of alcoholic beverages on radio, on television, and in print, as an effective means of curbing excessive and fraudulent claims by the beverage alcohol industry. We believe that this restriction would safeguard the principle of "home-rule" in that third of the nation's territory which is now legally dry. We urge American Baptists to write their congressmen at once concerning this issue and the stand taken by this Convention.

3(a). USE OF BEVERAGE ALCOHOL

We urge the adoption of a program of total abstinence for all American Baptists, including the children of our Sunday or church schools, and that our Board of Education and Publication prepare suitable educational literature on the subject, as well as total abstinence pledge cards to be available to our churches and to our armed forces chaplains.

4. SEGREGATION

We commend the United States Supreme Court in its historic decision of 1954 outlawing segregation in public education. We affirm our belief that God is no respecter of persons, that every individual is of infinite worth in His sight, and that it is His will that the law of Christian love operate in all human relationships. We urge American Baptists to increase their opposition to other areas of segregation — housing, employment, recreation, church participation. We urge local churches to carry forward educational programs dealing with this issue, and we propose cooperation with other Christian bodies of like mind.

5. CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATIONS

The present global struggle between communism and the free world has achieved such proportions as to threaten the personal liberties of all men. We recognize and deplore the dangers inherent in the communist control over the minds of men. We are also aware of the danger in the widespread fear and hysteria created by some anti-communist forces. In particular do we see a threat to freedom in the fact that congressional investigating committees tend to assume the prerogatives of judge and jury in dealing with persons thought to be communist or communist-sympathizers.

We recognize the right and the duty of Congress to conduct such investigations as may demonstrate the need for additional legislation or may test legislation already in force. We recognize the right of Congress to inquire into the extent to which communism has found its way into American life, but only by such means as will protect the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all. We strongly urge that, as this work continues, a serious study be made by Congress, to correct the present procedures of investigation.

6. SOCIAL SECURITY

Since it is proposed that Old Age and Survivors Insurance be extended to citizens not now covered, and since the proposal includes a provision for ministers' voluntary participation, we endorse this proposal and urge local churches to participate in making possible its benefits if and when extended.

V. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

1. HUNGRY PEOPLE AND OUR OVERABUNDANCE

A large share of the people of the earth go to bed every night hungry, a prey to deficiency disease and a burden upon their national economies because of their low productivity. Our nation by contrast faces the need of disposing of surplus foods before spoilage sets in with the danger of further accumulations. In view of these facts we reaffirm our belief that the program of distribution overseas, such as that done by Church World Service, be greatly extended both to include all types of food and fiber above a normal carry-over and to make it possible for voluntary agencies to distribute overseas as much of these surpluses as possible without damaging the economies of other nations.

2. DISARMAMENT

We urge our government to place its trust in God and its hope for peace in (1) conference and consultation with other governments, (2) programs of technical assistance and aid to other nations and (3) expressions of good-will and concern for the peoples of every country.

We commend our government for its efforts to act through the Disarmament Commission of the United Nations at the highest political levels in its quest for universal enforceable disarmament with an adequate system of inspection and control, and we urge that this work be continued.

We urge our government to discontinue the experimental discharge of thermo-nuclear arms in areas where danger and fear of danger to other nations results.

Furthermore, we request our government to take immediate steps to release non-critical information and materials in the thermo-nuclear field to other nations and to private industry in order to promote further progress in medicine, industry and other peaceful pursuits.

2(a). UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING

We reaffirm our stand made clear at previous American Baptist Conventions concerning universal military training as a serious danger to democracy and Christian morals.

3. IMMIGRATION

Since the McCarran-Walter Immigration and Naturalization Act of 1952 is proving a detriment to good will because of its discrimination against a large section of Asia by allotting low immigration quotas, we urge our people to support the Administration's effort to secure drastic revision of this act.

Furthermore, since the "Refugee Relief Act" of 1953 is proving difficult to administer because of its technical requirements and rigid measures, we urge Congress to enact legislation necessary to facilitate the entry of the full quota before the emergency law expires in 1956.

4. UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

In view of the coming United Nations Charter Review Conference, we urge thoughtful study of the various proposals presented in order that our nation might be better prepared to exercise constructive leadership in making the United Nations more effective for peace.

5. FOREIGN TRADE

We go on record in support of more liberal trade policies and urge our people to study the report of the Commission on Foreign Economic Policy (Randall report) which is concerned with raising the living standards of the world's people.

6. STUDENT EXCHANGE

We respectfully petition the Senate to restore the full appropriation of \$15,000,000, cut by the House of Representatives to \$9,000,000, for the Exchange of Persons Educational Program, which has been a most constructive effort toward promoting international understanding and creating an effective deterrent to communist propaganda. We believe this gesture of good will should be given every encouragement.

7. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND ECONOMIC AID

Since our far-flung military commitments make it easy to subordinate technical assistance and economic aid to political and military needs, thus using aid as a weapon, we urge our government to divorce technical assistance and economic aid from United States military policy.

VI. IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Realizing that these resolutions have importance only as they become a part of the thinking and acting of American Baptists, we urge our churches to bring them to the attention of their people through the church school, the preaching ministry, and study groups.

We further urge that individuals and groups in our churches take positive action, that they write to national and local legislators expressing their convictions, that they make their voices heard in all areas in which there is a need for a relevant Christian witness.

We further urge that churches include the actions and resolutions of recent Conventions in their educational programs.

In addition to the usual resolutions the Convention adopted the following

STATEMENT BY AMERICAN BAPTISTS CONCERNING FREEDOM.

Great truths emerge out of great needs, and they are confirmed and strengthened by reaffirmation in the face of challenge. The truths with which the Baptists began are truths needed by the nation today. In them we are proud to reaffirm our faith and confidence.

Out of the strong conscience and devotion of Puritanism arose a bright star of freedom whose name was Roger Williams. In him burned a religious passion and he combined qualities of personal humility with respect for the dignity of the human spirit. At great peril and risk to himself he established on our shores a new and fearless freedom, both political and religious, which dared to trust in God, and in truth, and in man's ability to find both. For the first time in this land, liberty of conscience became a reality, as Roger Williams, who proclaimed for himself the right of unrestricted thought and worship, recognized that what he asked for himself he must not deny to any man. For the first time it was clearly seen that strong convictions, such as Williams and his contemporaries had, could be held and must be held without coercing the minds of others. For if one man's freedom is in danger the freedom of all men is in jeopardy.

So great was the witness and influence of Roger Williams and others that liberty of conscience and freedom of worship became cherished possessions of many early colonists. Later, when Thomas Jefferson and other eloquent spokesmen for the people wrote the constitution, they embodied in the Bill of Rights these basic concepts. The Bill of Rights assured to every man freedom of speech and thought under law. It guaranteed the Right of trial by jury and freedom from self-incrimination. It insisted that an accused man be confronted by his accusers through due process of law. Moreover, the Bill of Rights secured such separation of church and state that never again could religious dissent be considered treason, that never again could political nonconformity be adjudged as heresy.

For Baptists the word "freedom" is a watermark. It is impressed into our doctrine, our polity, our practice. It cannot be eradicated. Baptists, mindful of Roger Williams' pattern, have endeavored in all kinds of political and religious climate to maintain a continuing witness to the principle of liberty of conscience. Baptists have always asserted that religion and government are foundations of the social order, that they are indispensable to each other, that they influence as well as complement each other. It is a function of democratic government to safeguard the soil in which religion may grow and flourish freely. It is a function of religion to bring truth, strength of character and conscience to society, so that it may be fit to govern itself. For these reasons state and church must remain separate, each free under God to perform its special function.

Now in the year of our Lord 1954, 350 years after the birth of Roger Williams, the basic human rights for which our fathers struggled are threatened by two forces. One is a tyranny which seems to respect neither God, nor man, nor truth, and finds expression in forms of communism. The clear duty of the church is to offer stern moral resistance to this avowed enemy by every lawful means. It is to enrich American life with Christian virtues of courage, patience, love, and sacrificial devotion, so that communism will find no point of penetration. It is to implement the Christian values of social justice and brotherhood so that communism will have no valid point of criticism. The fact is that

communism has not flourished in countries where the Protestant tradition has been strong, where its vital witness has influenced society and shaped the character of its citizenry.

The other is a tyranny that seems to respect neither rights of individuals nor democratic processes of our nation. There are individuals and groups in American life so intent upon combating the menace of communism that they adopt the very principles and methods which make communism frightening. They attack nonconformity as subversive, make no distinction between dissent and disloyalty, confuse disagreement and disaffection, equate accusation with guilt. Truth is slanted for ulterior purposes or submerged in suspicion and fear. Adherents of these un-American doctrines openly consider others guilty until proven innocent and have imperiously re-instated the discredited theory that the end justifies the means. Thus there is danger lest in attempting to prevent evil, greater evils arise.

The church also has a clear duty to oppose this second tyranny. To this end action by Christians must express itself in the fearless utterance of personal conviction; the development of personal character resistant to hysteria; the assumption of responsibility in political life; the support of free and democratic institutions; the acceptance of risks as well as privileges of freedom; and cooperation in maintaining our common Protestant heritage.

It is fitting that Baptists, gathered here in annual convention on the 350th anniversary of the birth of Roger Williams, conscious and proud of their heritage of freedom, should solemnly reaffirm the principles which, under God's providence, have made so rich a contribution to the life and character of this country.

- 1 — We reaffirm our loyalty and obedience to God, our Maker, our Redeemer, our Sustainer, Who is supreme above all other authority;
- 2 — We reaffirm our devotion to liberty of conscience under God and under law;
- 3 — We reaffirm our loyalty and devotion to truth fairly arrived at, by free inquiry and debate, without restriction or coercion;
- 4 — We reaffirm our allegiance to the historic principle of the separation of church and state;
- 5 — We reaffirm our loyalty and devotion to the United States of America.

The Baptist heritage of religious liberty and spiritual freedom is not a gift, but a trust, and its worth is not in our boast of possession, but in those who are moved by it to greater deeds and nobler lives. In these reaffirmations of our faith we pledge ourselves by word and by life to the preservation of the Baptist witness to the truth that is in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Minneapolis, Minn.
May 7, 1955

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This letter is to thank you for your recent letter and enclosures of your remarks concerning Communism. I greatly value these copies and you can be sure that I will put them to the best possible use. I am continually surprised and appalled by the great public apathy and misinformation. Your remarks are so clear and compelling that I regret that they cannot be called to the attention of all Americans.

Thanking you again for your generous assistance, I remain,

Communist Infiltration Into Religion
Yours very truly,

Minneapolis

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Wm. J. Edgar Hoover
F. B. I.
Washington D. C.
1st Methodist Church
Houston, Texas

Dear Sir:-

From time to time I
have been receiving data
along the [redacted] line
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called me re the Committee
consisted of members of 1st
Meth. Church of which I am a
member of its Board of Stewards
and committee for action to
retract Communism in Methodist
Some of these data listed my
name as a member of this
Committee. I have not been
to a meeting nor taken any
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money as this seems to
rather perplexing way of
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CARL WILSON, M. D.
1512 West Alabama
Houston, Texas

Have a wife, [redacted]
and [redacted] 32"
Mason, Member Harris Co.
Medical Society and in
General Practice.

Your reply will be
treated as you direct
and I'll be mighty
proud to hear from you.

Sincerely
Carl Wilson

Ja 4-4441
1512 West Alabama
Office & Residence.

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June 16, 1955

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Dr. Carl Wilson
1512 West Alabama
Houston 6, Texas

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Dear Mr. Wilson:

Your letter dated June 7, 1955, with enclosure, has been received.

The thought prompting your bringing to my attention the material you forwarded is appreciated; however, I am unable, as a matter of policy, to comment concerning this literature. I would like to point out that the FBI is strictly a fact-gathering agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any publication, organization or individual. I am sure you will understand my position in this regard.

In the event you acquire further data which you believe comes within our investigative jurisdiction, please feel free to contact the representatives of our office located at 800 Federal Building, Houston 2, Texas.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Houston, with copy of incoming and enclosure.

NOTE: The correspondent's enclosure is a mimeographed leaflet issued, apparently, by his local First Methodist Church urging church members to recognize the fact that there are ministers in their ranks who back Socialism or Communism. "The real way to save our Methodist Church is to cut off their pay until they quite writing, preaching for things that is for Communism and or/ Socialism and calling it Christian."

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Since the Director does not know correspondent and we do not know what purpose he may make of this reply, it is not believed necessary to use the salutation of "Dear Brother."

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CARL WILSON, M. D.
1512 West Alabama
Houston, Texas

6/7/55

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
F. B. of I.

Dear Sir:-

From time to time I have been receiving data along these lines. Some time ago, [redacted] called me re a committee composed of members of 1st Meth. Church of which I am a member of its Board of Stewards. Said committee's function to uproot communism in Methodism. Some of these data listed my name as a member of this committee. I have not been to a meeting nor taken any part nor sent in any money as this seems a rather perplexing way of approach to a big problem if one exists. I want your reaction. If this is a good way. "O.K." I believe I stand for all you stand for and against what you are against. I'm 63 yrs old and have a wife, [redacted] 32⁰ Mason, member Harris Co. Medical Society and General Practice.

Your reply will be treated as you direct and I'll be mighty proud to hear from you.

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Sincerely

/s/

Carl Wilson

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"WE DO NOT DENOUNCE COMMUNISM, STATES THE PROMINENT METHODIST BISHOP!
"HAS THE METHODIST CHURCH GONE MAD?"

By & for
Methodists.

IS LIFE UNDER ATHEIST COMMUNISM BETTER THAN LIFE IN A CHRISTIAN COUNTRY, EVEN IF IT ALL CATHOLIC???

Quoting "Christian Advocate", February 10, 1955, Pag (173) 13:

"Getting Married In Spain."

"When the United Staes seeking to use Spain as a bastion against Communism, puts its Protestant citizens there as soldiers, and then agrees ro abide by Roman Catholic marriage laws," "We lose, in the end, just what we are supposed to be defending." "This is the opinion of....."

Note this next sentence since our Bishop Lord stated "We DO NOT DENO- UNCE COMMUNISM..." This means WE METHODISTS DO NOT DENOUNCE ...

"It is our opinion, too, for we deplore this abdication to Catholic totalitarianism."

Quoting further from the "CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE".

"In view of such condition of tyranny, as well as revolting labor conditions (a scrub woman gets 25 cents a day and a construction worker 50 cents for a 10 hour day) behind the facade of Franco's beneficence.."

NOTE THE NEXT QUOTATION ESPECIALLY SINCE IT HAS BEEN ASKED BY A GROUP OF METHODISTS IN MIAMI, FLORIDA.

"Can't these Bishops write ANYTHING without extolling (meaning, to praise in the highest terms) the Communist or SOVIET WAY or low-rating the free enterprise (American) system". Words in parenthesis added.

Quoting, "IT IS HARD TO UNDERSTAND AMERICA BACKING OF THE REGIME."

Has the Christian Advocate" ever even wrote ONE WORD that remotely stated IT IS HARD TO UNDERSTAND AMERICA BACKING OF THE SOVIET REGIME? THE COMMUNIST MURDERING OF MILLIONS, EVEN OF THEIR OWN PEOPLE? ENSLAVING AND STARVING MILLIONS??

The "Christian Advocate" even placed a write up about there being Corruption in Russia and hoped that the METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION WOULD BE ONE OF THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT WOULD GET THE FACTS FROM GOING TO SOVIET UNION.

Our own government has labeled METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION "A TOOL OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY", denounced by most all loyal Methodists.

Have you seen any of the memebtrs of the METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION RESIGN EXCEPT TWO OR THREE??? AND THEN EXPOSE THIS ORGANIZATION???

The Christian Advocate even qrote "Communism teaches us what we should already know, a complete devotion to Christ.."

DO YOU SEE THE "CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE" DENOUNCING COMMUNISM AND SUGGESTING THAT WE NOT BACK THE SOVIET REGIME. Why?? Oh! yes why??

It is every loyal Methodist duty to write the Committee on Un-American Activities for the public record on each and every Bishop and writer and leaders of our Methodist Church. A 2 cent postal card will bring you this data. Some of it is shocking and more shocking."

Dear Bishops: WHAT A FIGHT WE PROTESTANT PUT UP?

METHODISTS
by & for.

COMMUNISTS INFILTRATES PROTESTANT CHURCHES

WHILE BISHOP OXNAM WRITES:

Quotes: AP.

"HOW THE PROTESTANTS FIGHT COMMUNISM"

1. "600 ministers called Red Party Members."

"Washington."

"Testimony that 600 or more American Clergymen are "SECRET MEMBERS" of the COMMUNIST PARTY, and 3000 or 4000 others are in the "FELLOW-TRAVELING category," was made public Friday by the House Un-American Activities Committee"

2. "Mr. Kunzig: Did the COMMUNIST INFILTRATE THE METHODIST CHURCH?"

"Mr. Gitlow: In the INFILTRATION OF THE METHODIST CHURCH, the COMMUNIST WERE HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL. To detail the extent of the COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE METHODIST CHURCH, the people who served the Communists consciously and those who were its stooges would take several hundred pages of testimony." (caps and underlines added.) Testimony under oath.

3. Another Very Very Prominent Methodist. WINIFRED CHAPPELL

"Mr. Johnson. Yes. Winifred Chappell was a Communist. and at the same time she was secretary of the METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL SERVICE." "....."

"Mr. Johnson. That is right. She is calling for an international SOVIET GOVERNMENT."

(Testimony under oath.)

NOTE: When Winifred Chappell passes from this world to the other world (one would know which world she has gone to pretty well.)

A special block was given in her memory in our WOMEN SOCIETY FOR CHRISTIAN WORKERS magazine. Wake up Methodist women. Awaken Now.

CUT OFF THEIR PAY UNTIL THEY STOP PRAISING SOCIALISM AND EVEN COMMUNISM IDEOLOGY.

4. NATIONALLY PROMINENT METHODIST LEADERS WERE OFFICERS.

"Almost incredible and continuous parallel between printed matter of the METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL ACTION AND THE COMMUNIST PARTY from the 1930's through and into the present (1953) in spite of the fact nationally prominent Methodist leaders were officers of the Methodist Federation during the entire period." From Circuit Rider's Bulletin.

Comment: ° Read the Methodist literature and speakers for the various Methodist meetings and see how many of those same prominent Methodist Leaders who ^{were} officers or members of the Methodist Federation for Social Action who are still writing or literature or giving speeches to Methodists through out good old U.S.A/ Why????????????

1955

WARD'S SOCIALISTIC METHODIST CHURCH

The reason that our 1955 Methodist Church became to be a Socialistic organization, but kept the name Methodist.

LET'S CUT OFF THEIR PAY UNTIL THEY BECOME METHODISTS

ADULT STUDENT, MARCH 1946, pg. 36. "...it is now impossible to return to the old ways or even to retain permanently WHAT IS LEFT OF CAPITALISM."
(American way is written against)

Dr. Harry F. Ward's writings were were plugged throughout the Methodist literature and praised from the pulpits through out America. Our YOUTHS were told about it in their meetings.

THE AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE, namely Capitalism, PROFIT SYSTEM, etc was NOT spoken of as Christian.

Dr. Harry F. Ward

"His career could have been used as a model to show precisely how such infiltration was accomplished."

By & for
Methodists

"For instance his books:

Question?

How many of our bishops and ministers were told that it was their MORAL obligation to read these books? Like they were told to read "Behind Soviet Power" ???Shocking.

1. THE SOVIET SPIRIT.
2. THE NEW SOCIAL ORDER.
3. OUR ECONOMIC MORALITY.
4. IN PLACE OF PROFIT.
5. DEMOCRACY AND SOCIAL CHANGE.
6. THE PROFIT MOTIVE.

MIGHT BE STUDIED WITH ADVANTAGE IN THIS CONNECTIONS."

"FOR HERE WAS A MAN, (OUR METHODIST MINISTER added) WHO PLAYED ON ALL INSTRUMENTS IN THE INTEREST OF COMMUNISM, which he called Democracy."

"But the fact is that Harry Ward exercised a wide and important influence in a field that should HAVE REJECTED THE:

MATERIALISTIC GODLESSNESS OF MARXISM."

What is even MORE SHOCKING and STRATLING is that this Methodist Ministers is still in OFFICIAL STANDING IN THE METHODIST CHURCH and he is still BEING PAID BY OUR METHODIST CHURCH.

Yet, a Minister, Rev. Blake Craft, Clayton, Georgia, was denied a Methodist Church because he exposed those of our Methodist Church who belonged to Communist Front organizations and were against the American Way of life and for SOCIALISM and even Communism.

The real way to save our Methodist Church is TO CUT OFF THEIR PAY UNTIL THEY QUITE WRITING, PREACHING FOR THINGS THAT IS FOR COMMUNISM AND/OR SOCIALISM and calling it CHRISTIAN. Amen.

In re; Christian???Advocate. 1955

By & for
Methodists.

HAS THE METHODIST CHURCH GONE MAD? Read it and weep.

SOCIALISTIC.

METHODIST LITERATURE

SOCIALISTIC.

From "On the Record", By T. Otto Wall, Christian Advocate, 3-17-55

"...just imagine what would happen if the 'SWORD of the Spirit' told us the fact that Pentecost came to men who refused to participate in or sanction war, who practiced nonsegregation of races, and who had recklessly cast aside their personal property rights" TO SHARE ALL THINGS IN COMMON. "(It's all in Acts 2)"

Let's see what our Socialistic methodist leaders has done to our Bible. King James version reads,----"they had all things common"

The new version (or perversion, if you wish) inserts the little word IN and has it read-----"They had all things in common"

ADULT STUDENT NOV, 8, 1953:

Comments on this.

"They formed a closely knit group, sharing both their religious faith and MATERIAL POSSESSIONS of life"

Just more and more SOCIALISM in our OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS; It happens to be Methodism because it is Socialism.

Comment "they had all things common". This refers, not to COMMUNISM nor to the distribution of goods, but to the practice of holding certain possessions subject to the use of the church, as we do much of our welfare work.

Fellow Methodists THIS IS YOUR MONEY BEING USED TO HELP REPLACE THE FREE ENTERPRISE (AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE) WITH SOCIALISM.

LET'S CUT OFF THEIR PAY UNTIL THIS IS STOPPED.
Mail your Methodist donations to Rev, Billy Graham or to some other American Christian instead of Socialistic individuals like too many of our Methodist Leaders. Stop donating to your Methodist Church.

Here is the first example of the use of the REVISED
Note----- standard Bible for the SOCIALIZATION OF AMERICA.

They substituted the word IN. They interpreted it as socialism of which it is NOT.

Copied in part

from that great Methodist pamphlet, "HAS THE METHODIST CHURCH GONE

MAD ? Read it
By: A group of Methodists , 1640 N.W. 19th Avenue, Miami, 35, Florida

Order: 10 copies and give to your Methodist friends, Do it NOW!

When the Committee on Wills and Endowment talks to you tell them that you have made your will out to Rev. Billy Graham since our Methodist Church is AGAINST CAPITALISM AND FOR THE ACCUMULATION OF MONEY AND FOR THE GOVERNMENT OWNING EVERYTHING (SOCIALISM).

METHODIST YOUTH MAGAZINE

"CONCERN" Vol. 7
30 Nov., 1951
Page 8.

WHO TAUGHT OUR METHODIST YOUTH LEADER TO WRITE SUCH?

MAYBE THE T.V. SERIES, I LED THREE LIVES, BY PHILBRICK, COULD HELP THE YOUTHS.

"LET COMMUNIST SPEAK"

"Let's don't criticize mistaken people for Communists. Let's criticise blacklisting people WHO ARE COMMUNISTS"

"Every now and then this columnist decides not to write so much about Russia, Communism, the abuse of civil liberties, hysteria, the atomic bomb, world war III, and all of the other bogeys of these times."

"In all that we LIBERALS have to say about hysteria over Communism, we cite example after sample...."where people FASELY SUSPECT someone of Communism, or are so afraid someone MIGHT BE COMMUNIST that they go off half-cocked without waiting to see whether there is conclusive evidence."

"Here's the reminder we'd like to jog our beloved editors with and all other high-minded, idealistic, intelligent people who want to see democracy, and even Christianity practiced in the United States of America...."

"WHAT IF THE SPEAKER ACTUALLY IS A COMMUNIST? Shouldn't we give him a hearing? Let's don't make the mistake of letting the witch-hunters gain in half the battle by default. We seem to think if we can make people investigate the possibility more carefully before blacklisting a man, we are saving Democracy."

"Actually, while we may be helping it a little, we still aren't defending it in its pure form until we say: Communist have a right to speak. Let's encourage them to come out in the open. Let's listen to what they say, accept what may be true, and show the rest up for propoganda".

"LET'S DON'T SIMPLY CRITICISE MISTAKEN PEOPLE FOR COMMUNIST. LET'S CRITICISE BLACKLISTING PEOPLE WHO ARE COMMUNIST"

Capitals and underling added.

NOW PICK UP MOST ANY REPORT BY THE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES, EXAMPLE, EXPOSURE OF COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES IN THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS AND READ WHAT AN INDIVIDUAL DOES WHEN HE HAS BEEN NAMED AS A POSSIBLE COMMUNIST. THE INDIVIDUAL IS UNDER OATH AND CAN TALK OR SPEAK. DOES HE SPEAK? DOES HE ANSWER "I REFUSE TO ANSWER ON THE GROUND IT MIGHT TEND TO INCRIMINATE ME"?

DO THEY SPEAK WHEN CALLED TO LET THEM SPEAK WHEN THEY HAVE TO TELL THE TRUTH ?

IT MAY BE OF INTEREST TO METHODISTS WHOSE SONS AND DAUGHTERS BELONG TO ANY METHODIST YOUTH ORGANIZATION", TO READ THE LAST TWO SENTENCES AGAIN:

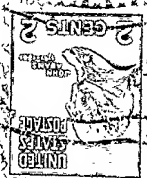
"LET COMMUNIST SPEAK" "LET'S CRITICISE BLACKLISTING PEOPLE WHO ARE COMMUNISTS"

Let's read a few words from J. Edgar Hoover, the FBI head.

"Red Fascism has come to have an evil, ugly meaning in the world today. We have come to associate it with greed, cruelty, lust for power; it means war and death for innocent peoples; it threatens our security and all the heritage we, as Americans, hold dear.

MAY THE LORD GOD SAVE AMERICA AND THE METHODIST CHURCH AND THE WORLD FROM COMMUNISM WHICH WOULD DESTROY ALL RELIGIONS. Amen .

Dr. C. A. Wilson
1512 W. Alabama
Houston, Texas



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Beware of the "Social Reformers"

THIS MAN KNOWS HIS DEMOCRATS (SOCIALISTS)

Editor the Houston Press:

This may fit Adeli Stevenson.

"REAL TEXAN IS HIS MAN"

"I voted for ALLEN SHIVERS in the first primary and expect to vote the same way Saturday. I have read every speech made and published by either candidate and this is my conclusion:

"On one hand I find a man proud that he is a citizen of Texas and proud what Texas has accomplished during his tenure of office. A man who has squeezed more cents out of every tax dollar than any other state in the union."

"On the other hand I find a man who is satisfied with nothing that has happened in Texas in the last few years. A man who has caused many Texans to wonder why he is still a resident with everything so rotten."

"The devil was in Heaven until he began knocking on his own hometown and got kicked out. I say give me a booster any time. On the other hand I find a gentleman and statesman. On the other hand I find a disgruntled politician."

"I find one man who bases his campaign on a successful tenure of office. On the other hand I find a man who has based his campaign on so many half promises that it would take a dictator, not a governor, to execute them. A man with a platform as loose as a woman's mother-hubard, covers everything and touches nothing."

"If I needed anything else to convince me that Shivers is my man, I would dig up that paper that stated that a former Senator from Texas sent \$100 to the opposition."

"The same fellow who perpetuated himself in office representing himself and not the people of Texas."

"The same fellow, I forgot his name but it is not important, who announced for re-election and took out when a real Texan, Price Daniels, announced against him."

"I remember paying \$1.50 for the privilege of scratching his name off the ballot and being disappointed.--"

Suggestion:

Let's us again vote for the man that is interested in America, not that because he belongs to that or this political party. Vote for those who are against those who wish to SOCIALIZE AMERICA, as it has been so well said that SOCIALISM IS THE BRIDGE OVER TO COMMUNISM.

SOCIALISM IS THE BRIDGE OVER TO COMMUNISM

Vote against those left-wingers, SOCIALISTS, parlor pink, and those who wish America to become socialized like it is in RUSSIA, GERMANY, ITALY, AND JAPAN---YES, LOOK WHAT A MESS THEY ARE IN.

August 19, 1955

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Forest City, North Carolina

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated August 16, 1955, has been received, and I am enclosing material currently available for general distribution by this Bureau on the subject of Communism.

For your information, data appearing in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. For this reason, I am unable to furnish you the specific data you requested.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosures (5)

How To Fight Communism

Director's Statement before HCUA, 3/26/47.

Where Do We Stand Today?

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Aug. 16th. 1955

~~COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO
RELIGIOUS GROUPS~~

Dear sires;

If I may I would like to have the names of every religious group in our Nation that have any thing to do with Communism. As I am a Pastor of a Baptist Church. And would like to do all I can by telling my people who they are.

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Thanking You For This Service

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August 16, 1955

Canton, Illinois

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

**COMMUNIST INFILTRATION
INTO RELIGION**

My dear Mr. Hoover:

I have just received the enclosed booklet. No doubt it was sent to me as I am a delegate from my diocese to the coming Triennial meeting of the Protestant Episcopal Church, to be held September 4-16 in Honolulu. As a

[redacted] of the Woman's Auxiliary of the same church and a member of the planning committee for our annual leadership training school for the women of the province, we have had [redacted] and [redacted] as members of our faculty.

The General Convention of the Church and the Triennial Meeting (women of the Church) are being held in Honolulu this year because we hoped that no member of the Church, whatever his race might be, could possibly be subjected to humiliation or embarrassment in the Islands.

[redacted] will be the presiding officer of the Triennial Meeting and is a nominee for the National Council of the Church, the governing body of the Church. Those of us in this Province of the Mid-west who heard [redacted] last year found him a brilliant man with a tremendous ability in presenting his subject, the work of the Christian Social Relations Department.

Most of us who are active in our Church sincerely believe that Christianity is a militant, mature force against the ideology of Communism.

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No doubt this pamphlet has been widely circulated among all the delegates, both clergy and laypeople. The mine-run of Episcopalians are no smarter or dumber than the average person. If these allegations are correct, there will be dissension and serious trouble at our meeting in Honolulu. Is there any basis for the implied or stated accusations against any of the people mentioned in this pamphlet? Are they, or any of them, truly listed by your Department as subversives or inimical to the welfare and sovereignty of this country?

And what is the Grass Roots League, Inc. of Charleston, South Carolina? Is this pamphlet they have sent me put out because of their opposition to the anti-segregation laws? I understand that we all have prejudices which we either acknowledge or are unaware of. And I have always understood that your department has very complete files. I would like to go to Convention with something from you that is more authoritative than this pamphlet. And, particularly, if what it says is either not true, or a series of half-truths, if those mentioned have been "cleared"; I would like that information.

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Would it be possible to send me any further information relating to the charges in the pamphlet, either before I leave here, September 2, or to me at Honolulu? I would appreciate an early answer very much. My address is: [REDACTED] Canton, Illinois - and in Honolulu will be in care of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Honolulu. Thank you very much for any information you can give me.

Sincerely, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Red Infiltration
of
The ~~N~~ational Council
Protestant
Episcopal Church

~~GRASS ROOTS LEAGUE, INC.~~
~~Box 551, CHARLESTON, S. C.~~

Research Bulletin No. 3
August 1, 1955

Price \$4.00, per 100

*** *Red Infiltration of the National Council Protestant Episcopal Church***

Americans must realize that, while Soviet Russia talks peace and prepares for war, the most deadly Communist weapon is subtle infiltration of the basic institutions of the countries marked for Red domination. J. Edgar Hoover, FBI Director, has declared: "... at this very moment as we meet here, secret Communists are seeking to establish themselves in churches, civic groups, ... etc." ~~Their purpose is to "... seek a cloak~~ of respectability and then to quietly work for the Communist cause" (Address before the Military Chaplains' Association, Washington, D. C., May 5, 1954).

Church Dissension Planned

So, Red infiltration of the governing body of the Protestant Episcopal Church would be a great triumph for the Marxist enemies of the United States who aim to stir up dissension in churches, schools, and social groups, constituting the foundation of our Republic. Evidence that the Reds have succeeded in infiltrating The National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church is revealed by the report entitled "Just, Right & Necessary" issued recently by The National Council, 281 Fourth Ave., New York City. The evident purpose of this report is to promote racial desegregation, and dissension among church members in the United States.

Its false slogan that "segregation is un-Christian" becomes understandable when it is disclosed that three members of The National Council and its Committee of Advice not only are negroes but also have records of affiliation with Communist or Communist-front movements. Altogether four members of the Episcopal high command have subversive records according to the public records and files of the Un-American Activities Committee of the House of Representatives.

Loyal American Episcopalians will ask themselves: (1) Are Episcopal laymen willing to permit their Church to be used as a front behind which Red plotters are working to destroy Christianity and their country? (2) What about the clergy who have been duped by the Communist conspiracy aimed at atheistic world domination?

* The term "Red" as used in this bulletin refers to Communists, "fellow-travelers" and their sympathizers, Marxian Socialists, leftists and other persons following the leftwing propaganda line.

(3). Who has been responsible for appointing persons with questionable backgrounds to important positions and committees?

This insidious Red infiltration of the Protestant Episcopal Church is revealed, not only by a study of its Marxist-sounding report, "Just, Right & Necessary," but also by the records of the following members of The National Council and its Committee of Advice supplied by the House Un-American Activities Committee from its "public records, files, and publications."

NY M. Moran Weston, Jr. Rev. M. Moran Weston, Ph. D., (negro) holds a key position as Executive Secretary of the Division of Christian Citizenship of The National Council. He was appointed assistant secretary, Department of Christian Social Relations, in 1951, the year following his ordination as an Episcopal deacon and priest. Yet during an investigation by the New York City Council in 1940, M. Moran Weston "... admitted he had been a member of the Communist Party under an assumed name ...," claiming he had been a member for a short time and had resigned "orally." However, Official Proceedings of the National Negro Congress (cited as Communist) in 1936 contain the name of ~~Moran Weston~~ as a member of its Presiding Committee. In 1936 Moran Weston was listed as a member of the Organizational Committee of the American League for Peace and Democracy, cited by the U. S. Attorney General as "subversive and Communist."

DC M. Moran Weston in 1943 was listed as a member of the Executive Board of the Negro Labor Victory Committee cited by the U. S. Attorney General as "subversive and Communist." At that time he was Field Secretary, American Newspaper Guild, C.I.O. In 1944 Moran Weston, as New York Secretary, New York State Civil Liberties Department, New York State Elks Association, signed pleas for pardon of Communist Morris U. Schappes. In 1948, two years before his Episcopal ordination, M. Moran Weston was reported by the Communist DAILY WORKER as supporting Ferdinand C. Smith, then National Maritime Union leader but formerly Chairman of the Negro Labor Victory Committee, cited by the House Un-American Activities Committee as "high in the circles of ... the Communist Party." It is possible that Rev. M. Moran Weston still may have had some Communist affiliation when appointed to a post on The National Council in 1951.

In September, 1951, Rev. M. Moran Weston attended the constituting convention of the interdenominational group, "Christian Action," at Howard University, Washington, D. C. Weston was elected to the Board of Christian Action which group "... refused to condemn Communism by name and declared that 'we reject the irresponsible exploitation of anti-Communism . . .'" (Memorandum from Verne P. Kaub, president, American Council of Christian Laymen, Madison 1, Wis.).

The report entitled "Just, Right & Necessary" was prepared (see page one) "... at the request of the Council by its Department of Christian Social Relations and DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP (capitals inserted), assisted by a representative group of churchmen serving as a Committee of Advice." Rev. M. Moran Weston is Executive Secretary of the Division of Christian Citizenship.

GA, George S. Mitchell, Ph. D.: George S. Mitchell, Executive Director of the Southern Regional Council, Atlanta, Ga., is a member of the Committee of Advice. The Southern Regional Council was exposed last year as an off-shoot of the defunct, Communist-front Southern Conference for Human Welfare by THE AUGUSTA (Ga.) COURIER. George S. Mitchell was named in 1938 as a Vice-Chairman of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare when he was associated with the Farm Security Administration at Raleigh, N. C. In 1946 he signed a statement opposing injunctions in labor disputes which statement was prepared by the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties cited by the U. S. Attorney General as "subversive and Communist." As a sponsor of the Civil Rights Congress (cited as "subversive and Communist") in 1946 George S. Mitchell was identified as Director of Veteran's Service, Southern Regional Council. In 1947 he was listed as Vice-President of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. Also in 1947 a George Mitchell was listed (HUAC Report of July 21, 1947) as a member of the Executive Council of the Highlander Folk School, Monteagle, Tenn. which "... keeps pretty close to the (Communist) party line."

The Southern Regional Council issues anti-segregation literature and propaganda with special attention to church groups. On July 1, 1954, Dr. George S. Mitchell, addressing the Dallas, Texas, convention of the NAACP "asserted that church leadership in the South, particularly organizations

composed of church women, had 'spoken forthrightly' in support of the recent Supreme Court decision banning public school racial segregation laws. Utmost significance must be given to church leadership . . .!" (Ref. A). Page 27 of "Just, Right & Necessary" states: ". . . there is the co-operation of the Episcopal National Council with the Southern Regional Council." The wording of "Just, Right & Necessary" resembles closely some of the literature published by the Southern Regional Council. The Southern Regional Council also has been working to spread anti-segregation propaganda in the Methodist, Episcopal and the Presbyterian Churches of the South.

N.Y. Lester B. Granger: Lester B. Granger (negro), Executive Director of the National Urban League, New York, is a member of The Committee of Advice. The public files and records of the House Un-American Activities Committee list Lester B. Granger as having been associated with at least eleven Communist or Communist-front organizations or activities. In 1941 he was appointed Executive Director of the National Urban League which ". . . seeks to use its full resources to eliminate racial discrimination in public or private employment, housing, education, health, and welfare services, . . ." (Ref. B). This is a bi-racial organization which recently received a grant from the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. Granger's subversive record covers some eleven years.

D.C. Dorothy Ferebee, M. D.: Dorothy Ferebee (negro) formerly was President, National Council of Negro Women. She is a member of The Committee of Advice. In 1947 Dr. Dorothy Ferebee was listed as a member of the Executive Board (Washington Committee) of the Communist-front Southern Conference for Human Welfare. Dorothy Ferebee, M. D. was listed as a sponsor of the Call to a Conference on Civil Rights, April 20-21, 1940 in Washington, D. C. issued by the Washington Committee for Democratic Action cited by the U. S. Attorney General as an "affiliate" of the "subversive and Communist" National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. Dr. Dorothy Ferebee was one of the signers of a statement opposing the Mundt anti-Communist bill, which appeared as an advertisement in the WASHINGTON POST, May 18, 1948.

Reference A—NEW YORK TIMES, July 2, 1954.

Reference B—NEW YORK TIMES, April 18, 1955.

Other National Council Members Listed in Huac Files

At least five other members of The National Council or its Committee of Advice are listed in the files of the House Un-American Activities Committee as having been associated with Communist or Communist-front movements. These are all clergymen who may have been merely duped by Red propaganda and are not necessarily subversive themselves. Nevertheless, such questionable associations may be harmful to their church while their "liberal" activities may help jeopardize the security of the United States.

Integrationists on the National Council

An "integrationist" may be defined as a person motivated by sentimental, impractical ideals and infected with subtle Marxian propaganda who favors integrating the Caucasian and negro races in complete disregard of the laws of genetics and the facts of anthropology and ethnology. Two integrationists who helped prepare "Just, Right & Necessary" and for whom no subversive records are available are:

Mrs. Theodore O. Wedel, Washington, D. C.: Member of the Division of Christian Citizenship. Mrs. Wedel is an active leader in the move for the integration of the races in Washington, D. C. (page 5, SOUTHERN SCHOOL NEWS, May 4, 1955). A news story in THE JEWISH EXAMINER, March 18, 1955, stated that Mrs. Theodore O. Wedel was to address the National Council of Jewish Women and describes Mrs. Wedel as a leader "in Protestant welfare service organizations such as the United Church Women." The United Church Women on June 21, 1954, declared: "... we are impelled to promote a Christian society in which segregation is no longer a burden upon the human spirit." (page 21, "Just, Right & Necessary"). It may be of interest that Mrs. Wedel's husband, Rev. Theodore O. Wedel, Canon of the Washington Episcopal Cathedral, was affiliated with the Conference on Civil Rights (page 1695, Appendix IX, Dies' Committee Report); and he was a sponsor of the Washington Committee for Democratic Action, cited as "subversive and Communist" by Attorney General Tom Clark, 1948 (page 1697, Appendix IX, Dies' Committee Report).

Mrs. D. Ellwood Williams, Jr., Annapolis Md.: Chairman of Christian-Social Relations, Maryland State Council of Churchwomen. Mem-

ber, The Committee of Advice. Mrs. Williams' name appears as one of the sponsors of the Southwestern Regional Conference on Integration, held in Houston, Texas, May 17, 1955. This Conference on Integration was called by the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., of New Orleans, La., which was investigated by the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee in 1954 as an offspring of the Communist-front Southern Conference for Human Welfare. Its executive director, James A. Dombrowski, has a long record of subversive citations. The SCEF is exposed in the July, 1955, issue of The American Legion FIRING LINE.

Method of Infiltration

The foregoing disclosure reveals the Red method of infiltrating Marxist ideology into churches, colleges, labor unions, government departments, etc. Citizens should understand that one or two trained, disciplined Communists or sympathizers can control the policy of an organization such as the NAACP, and even a federal court. Thus America's fundamental institutions are being undermined and weakened by her Red enemies and their dupes while we spend billions for a military defense which could not save us from internal collapse.

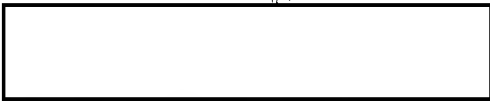
Onward Christian Soldiers!

All Christians and other patriotic Americans should never forget that neither Communism nor any other evil force can overthrow the Kingdom of God. Yet only if man is willing to try to help himself can he expect to receive Divine aid to prevent the downfall of his present civilization. Every loyal citizen must join the fight to eliminate Marxism and Godless materialism from American life.

August 22, 1955

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Canton, Illinois

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Dear



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Your letter of August 16, 1955, with enclosure, has been received.

In response to your request, I wish to advise that information in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. As this Bureau is strictly a fact-gathering agency, we are not empowered to make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication, or individual.

I hope you will understand the reasons for these rules and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have the information you desire..

Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent.

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Bufile 65-6520-28, Page 33 describes "Grass Roots" as a Mimeographed publication devoted to the exposure of "Trotskyite-Communist Jews." It has a reputation as an anti-Semitic publication.

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August 22, 1955

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Bufile 65-61520-5, Page 12, lists "Grass Roots League" Box 551, Charleston, South Carolina, as on the mailing list of "The Political Reporter." "The Political Reporter" is anti-Semitic, anti-Negro and anti-Communist.

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Bufile 100-336902 reflects that [REDACTED] was a member of the Communist Party in New York. His Security Index card was canceled in January, 1948, in view of no indication of Communist Party activities immediately preceding that time.

[REDACTED] corresponded with the Director in 1944 as a representative of the Washington Council of Church Women.

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October 17, 1955

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Charlotte, Michigan

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated October 7, 1955, has been received.

Although I would like to be of service, information in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. I am unable, furthermore, to furnish you a statement such as you requested since we are strictly a fact-gathering agency and do not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual.

I know you will understand the reason for these rules and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have information relating to the group you named.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Bufile 94-33052 reflects cordial correspondence with various officers of Youth For Christ International, Inc. The objectives of this group are to encourage evangelism among youth, and numerous inquiries have been received concerning its activities since its name is similar to Gerald L. K. Smith's American Youth For Christ.

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Oct. 7, 1955.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Att: J. Edgar Hoover

Dear Sir:

May I ask a favor of your good office? Knowing that you have at your finger tips knowledge of Communistic activities and organizations, I thought that a statement from you would carry greatest weight.

A responsible High School official in our city has been attributed as saying that the Youth for Christ, Int'l organization is Communistic and that it is a great detriment to the youth. He has used it as a target to disqualify an organization in our High School, known as the Bible Club, which is a voluntary group of Christian students who meet during their noon hour for devotions, fellowship and Bible study one day a week. A movement this year, after four years of uninterrupted Bible Club activities, to discriminate and have them removed from the school building has been started at the beginning of the school year.

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Parents, pastors and interested business men of the city circulated petitions and secured many signatures which were presented to the school board, asking them to act favorably toward leaving the Bible Club in the school. Consequently, a ruling was made that the Bible Club could be held, but they were not to give "testimonies" or engage in any "evangelistic activity" but were to have only Bible study, conducted as a class. They were to have outside speakers only if O.K'd. by the Principal and to have no connection with Youth for Christ. This is completely different than past activities where they were left to conduct activities as they wished, with a Counselor attending who was a member of the faculty.

Here is what I'd like to ask of the F.E.I: would you send me an official statement pertaining to whether or not the Youth for Christ is Communistic as an International organization? This could be addressed "To whom it may concern" or however you wish. We would like this as an official statement as to whether you consider the Y.F.C. organization to be in any way Communistic. Anything else you wish to add in recommendation to the Youth for Christ as a deterrent to the juvenile delinquency problem would be appreciated.

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Sincerely yours

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Feb. 10, 1956.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

I am writing you about the man described
below.
Communist Infiltration Into Religion

**REV. HERMANN G. PATT AT WASHINGTON
SEMINAR; WILL PROMOTE FAMED CHARTER**

Rev. Hermann G. Patt, former pastor of the Granville Baptist Church, is in Washington attending the churchmen's seminar held under the auspices of the National Council of Churches. The seminar is of the closed session type, limited in numbers, where speakers and invited guests are free to discuss subjects without fear of being reported since reporters, as such, are barred. Reporters and commentators are often in attendance as well as members of the three branches of the government. Visits are made to various departments with briefings by the heads and conferences are held with members of Congress. The delegates are registered from 14 denominations and are from points distant as far as Tennessee, Texas and Montana.

While in Washington, Mr. Patt will attend a scheduled conference with Senator Green, formerly governor of Rhode Island, in regard to the 300th Anniversary of the granting of the famous charter of Rhode Island delivered to Dr. John Clarke, first pastor of the Newport Baptist Church, by Charles II of England. The uniqueness of this charter is not only that

it is basic to the Constitution of the United States, but that it has the longest life of any such document, exceeding even that of the Constitution, having been in force 180 years. Historians, such as Bancroft, have described it as the most important document in the world's history.

Dr. Wilbur Nelson, whose life work has been to bring the work of this famous Baptist pastor and physician and the importance of this valuable document to public attention, especially of Baptists, has requested Mr. Patt to assist him in his task. This Mr. Patt is well fitted to do as besides his seminary training and a year of post graduate work at Harvard University Graduate School of Education, he has pursued some four years of post graduate work at Clark University Graduate School of Geography and History and done credited work with Providence College. Mr. Patt is enthusiastic over the project, hoping to interest other scholars in the task and of finding some one younger in years to take up the life work in which Dr. Nelson has pioneered.

Mr. Patt will be registered as representing not only the Westfield Baptist Ministers Conference but also the Western Hampden Council of Churches.

Up until yesterday, I had always thought of him as a well meaning old retired minister, with a flare for writing Communist-slanted letters to the papers.

One woman who knew him described him as a nice old man, and a deacon from his home town said he was a peaceful speaker.

He first attracted my attention in 1954 when I misunderstood a letter he wrote and I sent him a copy of Facts Forum. He called

me on the phone and wanted to know why I sent him such a magazine. Since then he has written many letters, one very childish one, outlining some conversation between Granpa Ike and Granma Mamie.

But within the last two weeks or so, he has written 4 or 4 letters, much concerned about the anti-Communist action that was occurring in the Massachusetts legislature.

All of these letters contained a slur at a "professional witness" or "professional informer" who was Herbert Philbrick.

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WESTFIELD, MASS.

PHONE LOGAN 2-2049

Sheet 2.

I wrote the Union on Jan. 22nd, as per copy enclosed. This was not printed, though they continued to print the Patt letters.

I wrote Mr. Philbrick as per copy enclosed, dated Jan. 23rd. (Not in reference to this matter.)

I enclose a copy of a letter that I wrote Mr. Donlan of the Massachusetts State Legislature, who was also under attack.

The Patt letters continued, so I wrote Mr. Philbrick again on the Jan. 31st and he replied on the Feb. 4th along with a copy of a letter he wrote the Union, copies of this material enclosed.

So, until I saw the clipping heading this letter, I had supposed him just an ordinary old gentlemen, tucked away in a little town, with not much idea of what was going on.

This clipping shows him to be a man of some education, with the opportunity of being well indoctrinated at Harvard.

I hate to think of a Communist having anything to do with any United States historical matter, and I am wondering just who planted him on Sen. Green and [REDACTED]

Since my eyes were opened by the Army-McCarthy fiasco, I have looked under my bed every night for a Communist. Granville is a small hill town in Western Massachusetts, off the beaten track, [REDACTED] if not too old to be active, could well have many visitors without attracting any attention.

My purpose in writing this letter was so, if you thought it advisable or worthwhile, you could alert the Senator to the type of man he is dealing with.

Sincerely,

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NEW YORK
Herald Tribune

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230 West 41st Street, New York 36

February 4, 1956

[Redacted Address]

Westfield, Mass.

Dear [Redacted Name]

Many thanks to you for
sending the Patt letters from
the Springfield papers to me.

I enclose herewith your
copy of your own letter to the
editor, which I appreciated having
the opportunity to read. Also
enclosed is a copy of a letter I
am submitting to the editors of
the Springfield papers.

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Let us hope [Redacted Name] puts
up and/or shuts up--preferably both.

Appreciatively,

Herbert A. Philbrick

Herbert A. Philbrick

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Party Will Try to Recruit Youths

By Herbert A. Philbrick

Communist bosses last week ordered a major drive to recruit the youth of America into Red organizations and Soviet-directed front groups. Preparations for the campaign, according to party instructions, are to start immediately throughout the entire Communist organization. The drive will be implemented with a three-day conference in Chicago Feb. 11-13.



Philbrick

The Communist directives are contained in a "report to the national conference of the Communist party" by Martha Stone, New Jersey Communist leader. This report appears in the current issue of "Political Affairs" magazine, which serves as the major source of guidance to action for the Communist conspiracy.

Political Aim

The directive also indicates major changes in Communist policy toward the Reds' approach and appeals to young people. The new drive is to be aimed at teen-age youth, with major emphasis on college students. For a propaganda springboard they are playing up juvenile delinquency which the magazine calls "the issue which most dramatically dramatizes the youth problem today and the need for a many-sided program."

Be assured that it will indeed be many-sided. A closer examination of the directive reveals that the real aims of the drive are to be political, not social. The major effort is to be repeal of the internal security act which the party has labeled simply "the McCarran act."

The Red report characterizes as a "pronounced pro-democratic trend" the opposition by some youth organizations to that act, Congressional investigations, loyalty oaths and the conviction of comrade Lightfoot. The names of a few youth organizations which have pleased the Communists are approvingly listed.

One Unit Affected

The thing not mentioned is that the only youth organization at all affected by the Internal Security (Communist control) Act is the Labor Youth League, lineal descendant of

information on its officers and finances.

In directing the change of emphasis of the Communist drive for youth, the magazine article states:

"The Labor Youth League is preparing at this time to make an important change in one major aspect of its organization, its personnel and method of functioning, to more accurately reflect certain new trends and developments among the youth, especially teen-aged youth. . . . The most rapid growth of the L. Y. L. can take place today among teen-agers."

New Programs

The mention of an "important change" in its "personnel" indicates that new officers will take over the reins of the L. Y. L. at the Chicago conference. The antecedent inner-echelon L. Y. L. functionaries and cohorts were called before the House Un-American Activities subcommittee on March 16, 1955, for questioning. They are:

Leon Wofsy, thirty-three, who would not say whether he is the L. Y. L. national chairman; Joseph Bucholt, thirty-four, who declined to answer whether he was L. Y. L. New York State chairman until early this year, or whether he left that job to take an important position in the Communist party underground; Robert Fogel, twenty-eight, a Cornell University graduate, who kept silent on whether he succeeded Bucholt as New York chairman of the L. Y. L.; Ernest Parent, thirty-five, Canadian-born naturalized American citizen, who said he was "at the moment unemployed," but refused to tell what his last job was, and Sam Engler, thirty-four, who declined to state whether he was the L. Y. L.'s New York State education director.

The party directive concludes with a five point program:

1—"The conference (a Communist party youth conference held last June) should serve to open the problem for the entire party;

2—"A main lesson of these discussions has been the indispensable role of certain organizational measures which made possible implementing even the very modest goals which were set" . . . by the Red meeting in June. The article states that "it is encouraging to note that as a result of our discussions in

L. Y. L. conference in Chicago.

5—The designation of the magazine "New Challenge" as the official mouthpiece for Communist Red youth agitation which, the article states, "makes a unique contribution as an organizer and mobilizer of teen-age youth and brings them closer to the left and the L. Y. L."

Let our young citizens stand warned.

Handbook on Reds

For a definitive, comprehensive source of enlightenment on the machinations of the Communist party in the United States an excellent monograph is now available. It is the Senate Internal Security subcommittee's new "Handbook for Americans," available for \$1 or 55 cts. in quantities of ten or more, from The Bookmiller, Box 101, Murray Hill Station, New York (16) N. Y.

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Facts in Your Life

Men Lead in

By Arch A. Mercey

Although the year-end holidays are behind us, the hazards of winter will continue to keep the automobile the leading factor in accidental deaths in the United States. Accidental deaths account for almost 100,000 lives annually, with auto deaths claiming by far the majority.

The accidental death rate in auto mishaps is much higher among men than among women, according to studies made by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. Greater exposure to hazards as well as greater chance-taking help account for this striking difference. In motor vehicle deaths the difference is 37.1 per 100,000 population among males, compared with 11.6 among females.

Motor vehicle accidents dominate the whole accidental death picture at all periods of life under sixty-five; above that age falls outrank auto accidents as killers. Falls claim a third more men above sixty-five than do motor accidents, and more than six times more deaths of women above sixty-five.

The motor vehicle accident death rate, which in males is more than triple that of fe-

WOMEN URGED TO DISCARD PLEASURES, DO GOOD DEEDS
To the Editor of The Union:

Sir: This is addressed to your female readers.

Ladies—Attention! Let us hasten the millennium. Discard our earrings. Throw away our cigarettes. Dispense with our cocktails. Use the money expended on those three unnecessary items for good deeds to the underprivileged on this earth.

The metal and junk in earrings could be sold. Expenditures for cigarettes amount to many dollars. Liquor never helped the drinker. Follow that great philanthropist, Peter Cooper. If he had done nothing during the day to benefit others and make the world a better place to live in, he considered the day wasted and resolved to do better the next day, endeavoring to improve the lot of his fellow men.

Ladies, we can't take our earrings, cigarettes and liquor with us into the world beyond. Why not accustom ourselves to life here without them and enjoy the sort of memories which the Good Samaritan must have had at the end of his life.

L. G. A.

Springfield.

DID NOT ATTACK CLERGY, HERBERT PHILBRICK SAYS
To the Editor of The Union:

Sir: A mutual friend and reader of The Springfield Union has kindly forwarded to me letters to the editor by a Hermann G. Patt. These letters appeared in your paper of recent dates and, since I am aware of the excellent reputation your paper has for keeping the record straight, I call attention to a number of inaccurate and intemperate statements in these letters by Mr. Patt concerning my testimony before the Massachusetts State Commission investigating Communist and subversive activities in the state.

Mr. Patt charges "this person" and "informant" with "smear and false statement" in testifying under oath as to the success that the Communist conspiracy has had in victimizing and duping members of the clergy.

Mr. Patt is mistaken. I did not attack members of the clergy. I called them no names, as he does me, nor did I smear their characters or impugn their motives, as he attempts to do to me. I did say, and I repeat, that it is tragically true that over and over again the Communists have been able to victimize and dupe clergymen into signing petitions, making statements, joining subversive fronts or otherwise supporting, aiding and abetting the Communist international conspiracy.

I did not say that the clergymen were themselves Communists. I said that they were the victims of the Communists. I did not say that the clergymen had deliberately and with malice aforethought done these things, but rather because of ignorance and indifference to the real meaning and seriousness of communism.

I also pleaded that such information be made available especially in our schools and churches, where today you will find virtually no factual data at all about communism. As a lifelong Baptist layman, whose children are today all active in

does not think that there are more clergymen represented on these lists than any other profession, I will send Mr. Patt \$500 in cash—if he will agree to one condition.

The condition is that if, on the other hand, Mr. Patt does find that in the pages of the Communists' hysteria propaganda organ the sponsors and signers listed on Communist publicized petitions, appeals, and subversive front organizations and activities do indeed include more clergymen than any other profession, he will agree to send \$500 to either Radio Liberation or Radio Free Europe to help them in broadcasting the truth to the enslaved peoples behind the iron curtain.

HERBERT A. PHILBRICK
New York, N. Y.

WONDERS WHY STUMPS ARE LEFT ON TREE BELTS
To the Editor of The Union:

Sir: I have read many articles in the People's Forum and elsewhere on the editorial page but have not seen any references to the following subject. It seems time to make suggestions.

I notice that when the "tree department" of Springfield, or whoever does it, cuts down trees on the tree belts, they leave stumps two, three or four feet high. Why they do this is beyond me. They may say it lets the tree roots decay faster, but the stumps are left for several years. I know that some have been left for five years without being removed. I call them eyesores along our streets.

I have cut down many trees myself and have cut them close to the ground where they would

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Horse Sense

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

Score one point for a correct solution of each of the first five problems. The last problem counts five points. Score yourself as follows: 0-2, poor; 3-6, average; 7-8, superior; 9-10, very superior.

1. The mother most likely to bear twin offspring makes which characteristic sound? Moo
Whinny Heehaw Ba-a

2. A "Turkey" is a term associated with which sports location below? Links Alley
Gridiron Diamond

3. Which one of the following is inappropriate in this general grouping? Catawba Delicious
Winesap Jonathan

4. Which one of these is usually the earliest garden product to reach the dinner table? Cabbage Radish Tomato
Potato

5. A current movie depicts the fascinating story of which ancient hero? Julius Caesar Pericles
Ulysses Hannibal

6. Colleges are protesting that they must take valuable time to teach simple high school English to the college freshmen, so analyze the choice below and pick out the preferred word of the pair in parentheses. One is correct but one is wrong. You are entitled to one point for each accurate judgment. You might mail this prob-

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**CALLS ATTACKS ON CLERGY
STAND A TRICK OF REDS**

To the Editor of The Union:

Sir: Rep. Donlan, in his rejoinder to my letter, has done two things for which I thank him. First, he has evidenced a desire to stand for the truth, a stand I heartily commend. Second, in reminding me that truth shall make one free, he has called attention to the converse that lack of truth, perversion of truth, falsehood makes men slaves.

Perversion of truth, denial of American rights, questionable procedures, usurpation of Grand Jury rights, of executive and judicial functions in all too many instances, and the continuance of a smog of hysteria, has been the strategy of the commission, which must know that these are Communist tactics. These tactics, if accepted and continued, mean slavery. They feed a fertile field of communism. To this perversion of truth, to this denial of human rights, to this state dominance of an individual's freedom, the protest of the clergy of Massachusetts was made.

In defense of this perversion of truth, the commission staged a hearing wherein a professional witness stated that the action of these highly respected and esteemed representatives of the church was "an obvious front activity" for Communists. The commission by this action seems to me to have condemned itself in the mind of every justice loving American. To attack the clergy and the church is the standby trick of communism. To brand Bishops Nash and Lawrence, President Coe and Dean Muelder as engaging in activities in behalf of communism is absurd and should be resented by all Christians and by all Americans who love their country.

HERMANN G. PATT

Granville

Jan. 31, 1956.

Mr. Herbert A. Philbrick:-

Enclosed are three letters which I think will interest you. [redacted] is a retired minister, living in a small town in western Massachusetts. I believe he is a Baptist, as he attended that Holyoke conference I mention, and I believe he was the author of the "5th Amendment Communist" proposal. At any rate, you have only to read his letters to know where he stands.

His first letter was a slam at Mr. Donlan, whom I suppose you met in Boston. I answered this, as per copy enclosed, though the Union has not printed it. The other two appeared last night and this morning, and both take the usual Communist smear at you.

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I am sending you these letters, hoping that you will reply to them, as I am sure the Union or the News would print your letters for the publicity your name would give them. This may not be your policy.

I sent the other copy of my letter to Mr. Donlan, so if you bother to reply to my letter, I will ask you to return it to me.

Sincerely,

Jan. 31, 1956.

Mr. Herbert A. Philbrick,
% Herald Tribune,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Philbrick:-

I am enclosing for your attention,
three letters written by Herman Patt.

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Jan. 23, 1956.

Mr. Herbert A. Philbrick,
% Herald-Tribune,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Philbrick:-

From the enclosed clipping, you can see why your column in the Tribune of the 22nd caught my eye. The letter was printed in both the Union and the Tablet.

I suppose that the men Rep. Walter had on the carpet are no longer available to the Reds in open positions, hence the change you mention.

Of course, I have read your book, and I get many a thrill watching your program on TV.

You did a wonderful job, and if you came out of it without ulcers you are to be further congratulated.

Sincerely,

*Sent him my article that was
printed in the Union. Also printed
in the Tablet.*

This refers to a letter I had written against the use of the 5th Amendment. I had Rep. Walter's report on [redacted] and [redacted] and cited their use of the 5th Amendment.

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Not printed.

Jan. 23, 1956.

To the Editor of the Union.

Sir:-

In the Union of even date, [] of Granville asks "Whose ethics will they choose? The ethics of those respected and beloved clergymen, or the ethics of McCarthyism?"

Well, it depends on which side of the fence you are on.

If you believe, with so many clergymen, that all restrictions against Communism should be removed, then you would side with the many respected clergymen who signed the petition to the United States Supreme Court asking that the Smith Act be annulled.

If you believe that Eleanor Roosevelt and the many respected clergymen who signed the petition to President Eisenhower to grant Christmas Amnesty to the 11 imprisoned Communists were right, then you will side with them.

If you believe along with the Baptists, that Communists should not be referred to as 5th Amendment Communists, then you will side with them.

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If you believe that Unitarian ministers should not be required to take an oath of loyalty to the United States then you will choose the ethics of the ministers.

If you believe the Red Dean is right in praising the Communists and attending their meetings in Moscow, then you will vote for the Ministers.

If you believe the New York minister, who is in the headlines today, for preaching the Communist line to his parishioners is right, then you can still stick to the ministers.

But, if you believe the Communists are a menace to our country, that they are against all religion, that truth to them, as Bishop Sheen pointed out the other night, is the Party Line, that McCarthy was smeared for his attacks on Communists, just as Martin Dies, Senator Eastland, Representative Walter and any man in public life who dares utter a word against Communism, is smeared, then you will be for McCarthyism.

To quote Lenin. "We will find our most fertile field

Jan. 23, 1956.

To the Editor of the Union.

Sir:-

[redacted] of Granville asks, "Wose eithis will they chose?"

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send a stamped, addressed envelope.

bert Buckner, president of the Massachusetts Congregational Conference. Of Dean Walter G. Muelder, an outstanding and nationally known Methodist.

These men, whom Donlan (D) Boston designates as clergymen, have given their lives to promote the cause of Christ and His church and to make this a better place in which we may live.

What has Donlan's commission done? In three years time, with \$85,000 of the taxpayers' money, it has succeeded in publishing under cowardly Senate immunity an 85-name blacklist, a thing repugnant to any self-respecting American. Read what President Eisenhower thinks of such a commission. Read what Gov. Alfred E. Smith said of such activity.

The clergymen liberals seek the safety of the Commonwealth and its constitution, which the Donlanites violate with tactics abhorrent to any true American.

Any man who votes to continue that un-American commission with its nefarious activity is, in my opinion, a traitor to his oath and a betrayer of American standards. Whose ethics will they choose? The ethics of these respected and beloved clergymen or the ethics of McCarthyism?

HERMANN G. PATT

Granville

WHAT HAS DONLAN'S GROUP DONE? THIS MAN INQUIRES

To the Editor of The Union:

Sir: In your State House news I noted the following squib: "Rep. Edmond P. Donlan (D-Boston) today warned that a drive has been opened by a group of liberals and clergymen to halt the state probe."

Of whom is this Donlan of Boston talking? Of Rt. Rev. Norman B. Nash, Episcopal bishop of Massachusetts. Of Bishop William Appleton Lawrence, whom we in Western Massachusetts not only admire but love. Of Rev. Al-

JUST FOLKS

By EDGAR GUEST

THINGS

'Tis strange how talkative are things,

Though silent they appear to be,

To one who knows some memory clings

That others neither hear nor see.

"Remember" says a certain

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for infiltration of Marxism with in the field of religion, because religious people are the most gullible, and will accept almost anything, if it is couched in religious terminology."



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February 14, 1956

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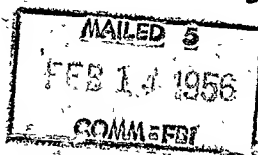
Honorable Thomas B. Curtis
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

Your letter dated February 7, 1956, with
enclosure, has been received requesting information
concerning [redacted] D.C.

While I would like to be of service in
this regard, I wish to advise for your confidential
information that our records reflect nothing identi-
fiable with this individual based upon the information
available concerning him. As you requested, the
clipping you enclosed is being returned.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover



Enclosure

Clipping entitled "Special News Items to 'The Torch',
which was sent by correspondent being returned.

NOTE: Bufiles reflect nothing identifiable with
[redacted] The Bureau has enjoyed limited
cordial correspondence with Congressman Curtis.
There is nothing derogatory concerning him, and
his wife has toured the facilities of Bureau
Headquarters. Enclosure was a page apparently from
"The Torch" which points out that George B. Hill, an
evangelist, has been active in a move to dissuade a
Congressional Sub-Committee from investigating religious
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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

February 7, 1956

DISTRICT SECRETARY

CLAYTON 5, MISSOURI
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WASHINGTON SECRETARY

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I shall be most appreciative of any information
you may be able to give me regarding the person
mentioned in the attached clipping
, returning the clipping with your response.

Sincerely,

Tom Curtis
THOMAS B. CURTIS.

Communist INFILTRATION into Religion

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SPECIAL NEWS ITEMS TO "THE TORCH"

On the date of Tuesday, October 18th, 1955, Elder George B. Hills, received an officially confirmed communication from Washington, D. C., bearing the most welcome news that the Congressional Sub-Committee, which had been formed to "interpret" Article No. 3, Amendment No. 1, of the Constitution of the U.S.A., has been temporarily suspended for at least one month. Truly, this most welcome news is for the entire Church of the Living God, C.W.F.F., for it truly comes in wonderful answer to prayer. We can truthfully say—"This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes." Psalm 118:23, for had God not so moved in our behalf, and had this Congressional Committee been allowed to pursue its normal course, there is no way of calculating what would have been the tragic out-come of the entire proceedings. At the very least, the religious liberty and freedom of conscience, so precious to the heart of every true Christian saint, and guaranteed to us under the United States Constitution, would have been irrevocably wiped out of existence. However, God moved in our behalf once again, in a most marvelous and wonderful manner. "What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" Romans 8:31.

On Thursday, October 20th, 1955, Elder Hills, participated in the special Inter-Press Associational Meetings, at Kansas City, Mo. Once more, it became plainly evident in no uncertain circumstances, that the Voice of the One True Church, which is The Church of the Living God, C.W.F.F., (1 Timothy 3:15, etc.), is, through the Divine Power of God's Holy Word, receiving increasing recognition in Community and National affairs—which is just exactly as God intended it should be—in that great work which He Ordained as part of the Mission of His Holy Church—to safe-guard the Spiritual and Religious welfare of the saints of God, who make up the true membership of the Church of the Living God, C.W.F.F., as well as to reach out in the ineffable Love of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, unto all who are not yet of the fold of the Church of the Living God, C.W.F.F. "And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear My voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd." John 10:16.

During the Inter-Press Conference, at Kansas City, further information was received from Washington, D. C., which encourages us to have every confidence and faith in God that, with His Divine Aid, it can be expected that within the month, this same Congressional Committee, will be permanently dissolved, and the appointed officers officially discharged from their positions on the said Congressional Committee. Truly, with thankful hearts, we can claim sincerely that—"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Psalm 126:3.

Continued prayer, however, is most urgently needed, for we may not rest now that we have been granted this precious victory, through the Mighty Power of the Divine Justice of our God. Much yet remains to be accomplished before we can claim the final victory in this most crucial problem. We still must pray, and press on, with God's help, to achieve complete discharge of all the personnel and officers of this Committee—and the Formal dissolving of this same Committee by Congress, itself; if the religious liberty and spiritual freedom of the saints of the Church of the Living God, C.W.F.F., as well as that of the entire nation of the U.S.A.,—are to be preserved to us and to our children under the Constitution of the U.S.A. "Pray without ceasing." 1 Thessalonians 5:17.

During the month of November, Elder Hills, will go to Washington, D. C., to press further for the complete dissolution of this Committee, formally, by Congress. Let us continue earnestly in prayer for the Divine Guidance of our God upon our brother, as he labors in this particular cause—that the Voice of the Church of the Living God, C.W.F.F., may not only be heard—but heeded—as she speaks with the Divine Authority of Jesus Christ—The Church's One Foundation—from the Holy Scriptures, which alone are the Infallible Authority in matters of faith and morals—for the Bible alone, is the Inviolable and Indestructible Word of God—"and the Scriptures cannot be broken." John 10:35.

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage." Galatians 5:1.

"Watch ye, stand fast in the Faith, quit you like men, be strong."

1 Corinthians 16:13.
EVANG. G. B. HILLS

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March 5, 1956

Walden, N.Y. R.F. D.

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION INTO RELIGION

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Dear Sir.

I am taking the Liberty of writing to you in regards to the Communist infiltration in Christian churches. I have read several articles in which you mentioned the situation.

I have also read pamphlets and articles written by Rev. Carl McIntire on the same subject in which he mentioned the names of some prominent men who worked on the Revised Translation of the Bible.

I will list those names which he mentioned attributing their efforts to Communist activity.

I am interested purely because many of our local churches are using the new Bible as their only source for teaching.

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many people to believe that these men are of such character.

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Any information you could give on
this matter would be consoling to myself
as well as proof to others that the Communists
are working to break our faith ^{the} way
of the Christian Church.

Sincerely yours

[Redacted Signature]

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Prof. Edgar J. Goodspeed, University of Chicago

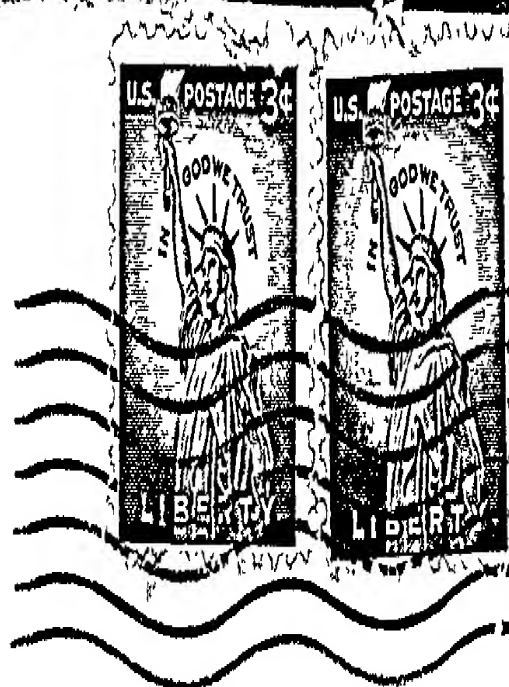
" Walter Russell Bowie, Union Theological

Related to the American Committee for Protection
of Foreign Born, cited Communist by Atty. General Tom Clark. Summary

Dean Luther A. Weigle, Yale University,

Dr. Weigle has been affiliated Divinity School, Chairman
with the Coordinating Committee to lift the (Spanish)
Embargo. Set up by Communist Party during Spanish
Civil War.

Walden, N. Y.



Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Dept. of Justice
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cc - Mr. Simpson

March 12, 1956

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Walden, New York

Dear [Redacted]

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated March 5, 1956, and I appreciate the interest which prompted your communication.

While I would like to be of assistance in connection with your inquiry, I must advise that in accordance with a Departmental regulation data contained in the files of this Bureau is maintained as confidential and available for official use only. I am sure you will understand the necessity for this regulation and no inference will be drawn because of my inability to be of assistance that we do or do not have in our files the information you have requested.

Sincerely yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

THE EYE OPENER

cc - New York

Correspondent advises she has read pamphlets and articles by Reverend Carl McIntire on Communist infiltration in Christian churches. She furnished the names of Professor Edgar J. Goodspeed, Professor Walter Russell Bowie and Dean Luther A. Weigle as persons named by McIntire "attributing their efforts to Communist activities". She requested information concerning these individuals.

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Bufiles contain no identifiable data concerning the correspondent.

Bufiles reflect that Reverend Carl McIntire is president of the International Council of Christian Churches, New York City. No investigation has been conducted of McIntire and Bufiles contain no subversive derogatory information concerning him.

(94-37990)

Numerous inquiries have been made of the Bureau concerning various individuals associated with the New Revised Version of the Bible including the individuals named by the correspondent. The Bureau has conducted no investigation of these individuals and no derogatory data of a subversive nature concerning these persons are contained in Bureau files. (121-4493; 100-396430; 105-18018)



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WHICH BIBLE CAN WE TRUST?

The TEXTUS RECEPTUS, original Greek text from which the Authorized King James Bible was translated, has been the target of textual critics since 1611. Yet copies of it substantially exist today without error. This is the Bible you can trust. All this talk about older and more dependable manuscripts, like the theory of evolution, hangs upon an UNPROVEN HYPOTHESIS. Facts given in this folder should be convincing. The Greek-English Interlinear New Testament by George Ricker Berry gives the original Textus Receptus in the first line. Literal English is given in the second line, and the Authorized King James appears along the edges. Footnotes on each page give the initials of six outstanding men as they have added to, subtracted from, or have changed this original Greek text in about 6,000 places. If you like other translations to compare with the King James Bible, this is a dependable one. Get it from your book store, price \$4.95, or order it from the publisher of this folder.

HERE'S THE ACID TEST

Any version of the Bible which omits Acts 8:37, or "Through His blood," in Col. 1:14, evidently has for its foundation a corrupted manuscript. This corruption can be traced to 200 A.D., when there lived one of the world's foremost theologians whose name is Origen. Being a TEXTUAL CRITIC, he is supposed to have corrected numerous portions of the sacred manuscripts. Evidence to the contrary shows that he changed them to agree with his own human philosophy of mystical and allegorical ideas. Thus certain original MSS. became corrupt and it is evidently from this source the revised Bibles of this generation have come. Read pages 900-902, Vol. 16, 1936 edition Encyclopedia Britannica and you will see that Origen taught the "LOGOS" is "KTISMA," meaning the Lord Jesus Christ is a created being. Thus, he could easily omit Acts 8:37 and other texts which testify to Christ's deity.

WATCH - AND REMEMBER - ALWAYS TO KEEP BOTH EYES OPEN

"After my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, SPEAKING PERVERSE THINGS, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore WATCH, AND REMEMBER, that by the space of three years I ceased not to WARN EVERYONE NIGHT AND DAY WITH TEARS." --Acts 20:29-31.

The Apostasy of the Early Church Prepares the Way For Corrupting Copies of the Original Manuscripts

Corruption of the original Bible manuscripts and its influence can be traced from the days of Origen, 200 A.D., down through the committees responsible for the English Revised Version 1881, American Standard Version 1901, and the REVISED STANDARD VERSION of 1952, by referring to the following publications: Revision Revised, p.413--Dean Burgon; Inquiry, p.413--Dr. Fredrick Nolan; See Encyclopedias on Tatian; Diatessaron of Tatian, p.9--J.H. Hill; Article on Origen by McClintic & Strong; Church History, Vol.2, p.791--Dr. Schaff; Apologia pro vita sua, Chap.7, p.282--Dr. Newman; History of Our English Bible, p.70--Dr. Ira M. Price; Introduction to Textual Criticism of N.T., p.80--A.T. Robertson; The Canon and Text of the N.T., p.345--Dr. Gregory; Catholic Encyclopedia, Vol.4, p.86; Eccles. History, book 5, Chap.28--Eusebius; (Scribners) Vol.1, pp.434-435--Ante-Nicene Fathers; History of Dogma, Vol.1, p.128--Harnack; Three Religious Leaders of Oxford, pp.481-482--S. Parkes Cadman; Princeton Review, Jan., 1854, pp.152-153; History of Christianity, Vol.2, p.107; History of Christian Doctrine, p.19--G.P. Fisher; Texts and Margins of the Revised N.T., p.45--Dr. G. Vance Smith; A History of the Revised Version, pp.36-37--Samuel Hemphill; The Traditional Text, p.163--Burgon & Miller; Introduction to Greek O.T., p.86--Swete; Cath. and Prot. Bibles, p.4,6--Jacobus; Jerome Against Helvidius; Defence of Translations of the Bible (1583), p.62--Faulke; Memoir of Life of Cartwright, p.276--Brook's; The Catholic Encyclopedia, Article on Douay Bible; Revised Version, p.51--Cook; Nicene and Post-Nicene Fathers (Christian Lit. Ed.), Vol.6, p.338; The Influence of the Bible, p.136--Von Dobschütz; New Commentary, Part 3, p.719--Gore; Church History, Vol.2, p.446--Hagenbach; History of the Reformation, Vol.2, p.391--Kurtz; Many more references can be added, but these thirty-three ought to be sufficient.

Revised Standard Version Bible Gives Evidence Of Corruptions As Outlined By the Above Publications

YOU BE THE JUDGE. It is not our business to condemn anybody. A Christian, like Christ, should always manifest a forgiving spirit. But facts should be known. The following pages show how the New Revised Standard Version Bible differs from the Authorized King James Translation.

5,000,000 MISSIONARY PARTNERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP DISTRIBUTE THIS FOLDER IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

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MATTHEW

1:25 brought forth her (FIRST BORN) - is out.
5:44 (BLESS THEM THAT CURSE YOU) More is out.
6:27 add - unto his (STATURE) is "span of life."
6:33 seek ye first the kingdom (OF GOD) - is out.
8:29 (JESUS) thou Son of God. - Jesus is out.
9:13 call sinners (TO REPENTANCE) - is out.
12:35 good treasure (OF THE HEART) - is out.
12:47 (VERSE OUT) about Christ's mother, etc.
13:51 (JESUS SAID UNTO THEM) and (LORD) - is out.
15:8 (DRAWETH - UNTO ME WITH THEIR MOUTH) - is out.
16:3 (O YE HYPOCRITES) - is out.
16:13 (I) the Son of man (AM) - "I" and "am" - are out.
17:21 (VERSE OUT) - about prayer and fasting.
18:11 (VERSE OUT) - Son of man is come to save.
19:9 (MARRIETH HER - PUT AWAY - ADULTERY) - is out.
20:7 (WHATSOEVER IS RIGHT - YE RECEIVE) - is out.
20:16 (MANY BE CALLED, BUT FEW CHOSEN) - is out.
20:22 (BAPTIZED WITH - BAPTISM - I AM BAPTIZED WITH) - out.
21:44 (VERSE OUT) - about Christ, the Stone.
23:14 (VERSE OUT) - we - scribes - hypocrites.
25:13 (WHEREIN THE SON OF MAN COMETH) - is out.
27:35 (FULFILLED - SPOKEN BY PROPHET - CAST LOTS, etc.)
27:54 (THE SON OF GOD) - is a small "s" son.

"If any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life." Rev. 22:19

MARK

1:14 gospel (OF THE KINGDOM) - is out.
1:31 (IMMEDIATELY) the fever left. - no footnote.
2:17 call sinners (TO REPENTANCE) - is out.
6:11 (MORE TOLERABLE FOR SODOM-GOMORRAH, etc.) - out.
6:16 John - is risen (FROM THE DEAD) - is out.
6:33 many knew (HIM) - him is changed to "them."
7:8 (WASHING OF POTS AND CUPS, etc.) - is out.
7:16 (VERSE OUT) - about having ears to hear, etc.
9:44 (VERSE OUT) - worm dieth not - fire not quenched.
9:46 (VERSE OUT) - worm dieth not, etc.
9:49 (EVERY SACRIFICE SHALL BE SALTED WITH SALT)
10:21 (TAKE UP THE CROSS) - is out - no footnote.
10:24 (FOR THEM THAT TRUST IN RICHES) - is out.
11:10 (IN THE NAME OF THE LORD) - is out, no note.
11:26 (VERSE OUT) - if ye do not forgive, etc.
13:14 (SPOKEN BY DANIEL THE PROPHET) - is all out.
14:68 (AND THE COCK CROW) - is out.
15:28 (VERSE OUT) - Scripture was fulfilled, etc.
15:39 (THE SON OF GOD) - is a small "s" son.
16:9-20 (- 11 VERSES OUT) - resurrection testimony.

GOD HAS PLACED THREE SENTINELS TO GUARD SCRIPTURE

SEE...DEUT. 4:2...PROV. 30:6...and REV. 22:19

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LUKE

1:28 (BLESSED ART THOU AMONG WOMEN) - is out.
2:33 (JOSEPH) - is changed to "father."
2:43 (JOSEPH AND HIS MOTHER) - changed to "parents."
4:4 (BUT BY EVERY WORD OF GOD) - is out.
4:8 (GET THEE BEHIND ME SATAN) - is out.
6:48 (FOUNDED UPON A ROCK) - is "well built."
7:31 (AND THE LORD SAID) - is out, see also 22:31.
9:55 (YE KNOW NOT WHAT MANNER OF SPIRIT, etc.) - out.
9:56 (SON OF MAN IS COME - NOT TO DESTROY - BUT SAVE)
11:24 (OUR - WHICH ART IN HEAVEN - THY WILL BE DONE - AS IN HEAVEN, SO IN EARTH - DELIVER US FROM EVIL)
17:36 (VERSE OUT) - one taken, other left, etc.
21:4 (CAST IN UNTO THE OFFERINGS OF GOD) - is out.
22:19 (- GIVEN FOR YOU - DO IN REMEMBRANCE) - is out.
22:20 (VERSE OUT) - Lord's Supper instructions.
22:64 (THEY STRUCK HIM ON THE FACE) - is out.
23:38 (IN LETTERS OF GREEK - LATIN - HEBREW) - is out.
23:45 (SUN WAS DARKENED) - footnote says "eclipsed."
24:3 found not the body (OF THE LORD JESUS) - is out.
24:6 (HE IS NOT HERE, BUT IS RISEN) - is out.
24:12 (VERSE OUT) - Peter's resurrection testimony.
24:40 (VERSE OUT) - Christ's resurrection testimony.
24:51 (CARRIED - INTO HEAVEN) - said of the Lord - is out.

"For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man; but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." - 2 Peter 1:21

JOHN

1:14 (BEGOTTEN) - is out - 1:18, 3:16, 3:18, 1 John 4:9.
1:27 (IS PREFERRED BEFORE ME) - is out.
3:13 son of man (WHICH IS IN HEAVEN) - is out.
3:15 (SHOULD NOT PERISH) - is out.
3:16 (BEGOTTEN) - is out - virgin birth is affected.
Compare Isaiah 7:14; John 6:65; 8:28; 8:38
John 14:12; 16:10; - (MY) Father is "the" Father.
3:17 (HIS) Son is changed to "the" Son.
4:42 this is indeed (THE CHRIST) - is out.
5:3 (WAITING FOR THE MOVING OF THE WATER) - is out.
5:4 (VERSE OUT) - Pool of Bethesda testimony.
6:47 He that believeth (ON ME) - is out.
6:65 (MY) Father - is changed to "the" Father.
6:69 (THAT CHRIST, THE SON) - is out.
7:53 to 8:11 (ALL VERSES OUT) - woman in adultery.
8:16 (FATHER) - is changed to "he." - small "h."
9:35 (SON OF GOD) - is changed to "Son of man."
11:41 (WHERE THE DEAD WAS LAID) - is out.
16:16 (BECAUSE I GO TO THE FATHER) - is out.
17:12 (IN THE WORLD) - is out, and the entire meaning is changed from believers being given to Christ, to the "name" which was given to him. This breaks the connection with John 6:37.

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ACTS

2:30 (ACCORDING TO THE FLESH - RAISE UP JESUS) - out.
2:47 added to the (CHURCH) - is added to "numbers."
7:30 angel (OF THE LORD) - of the Lord is out.
7:37 (LIKE UNTO ME; HIM SHALL YE HEAR) - is out.
Meaning is seriously changed which makes Christ have human origin like Moses. Think on this.
8:37 (VERSE OUT) - Eunuch's testimony to Deity.
9:6 (LORD - WHAT WILT THOU HAVE ME TO DO, etc.) - out.
10:6 (HE WILL TELL - WHAT - OUGHTTEST TO DO) - out.
15:18 (KNOWN UNTO GOD - HIS WORKS) - all is changed.
17:26 made of one (BLOOD) all nations. - blood is out.
20:25 the kingdom (OF GOD) - is out.
23:9 (LET US NOT FIGHT AGAINST GOD) - is out.
24:15 shall be a resurrection (OF THE DEAD) - out.
28:29 (VERSE OUT) - Jews departed - reasoning, etc.

ROMANS -

5:2 we have access (BY FAITH) - is out.
8:28 See for yourself, verse entirely spoiled.
11:6 (IF - OF WORKS - NO MORE GRACE, etc.) - is all out.
13:9 (THOU SHALT NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS) - is out.
15:29 blessing (OF THE GOSPEL) - is out.
16:24 (VERSE OUT) - The grace of our Lord, etc.

1 CORINTHIANS -

5:7 Christ - is sacrificed (FOR US) - is out.
6:20 glorify God - (IN YOUR SPIRIT - GOD'S) - is out.
10:28 (EARTH IS THE LORD'S - FULLNESS THEREOF) - is out.
11:24 (TAKE EAT) - this is my body. Eat is out.
11:29 not discerning the (LORD'S) body. Lord's is out.
15:47 second man - (THE LORD) from heaven. Lord - out.
16:22 If any man love not the Lord (JESUS CHRIST)
let him be Anathema Maran-atha, Jesus Christ - out.

2 CORINTHIANS

6:14 (BE YE NOT UNEQUALLY YOKED TOGETHER WITH UNBELIEVERS) is changed to - "do not be misnamed with unbelievers." See Deut. 22:10. The ox represents Christ and the Ass pictures unbelievers.

GALATIANS

3:1 (THAT YE SHOULD NOT BELIEVE - TRUTH) - is out.
6:15 (IN JESUS CHRIST) - Taken out with no note.

EPHESIANS -

3:9 God - created all things (BY JESUS CHRIST) - out.
3:14 the Father (OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST) - is out.

"Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar." Prov. 30:6.

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COLOSSIANS - 1:2 (THE LORD JESUS CHRIST) - is out.
1:14 we have redemption (THROUGH HIS BLOOD) - is out.

1 THESSALONIANS - 1:1 Last of verse (FROM GOD OUR FATHER, AND THE LORD JESUS CHRIST) - is out.

1 TIMOTHY - 3:16 (GODLINESS) - is "religion" (GOD) - is "he."
6:5 (FROM SUCH WITHDRAW THYSELF) - is out.
2 TIMOTHY - 4:22 the Lord (JESUS CHRIST) - is out.

HEBREWS 1:3 - (BY HIMSELF) purged our sins. (-) - is out.
2:7 Last part is out - (SET HIM OVER WORKS, etc.) - out.
2:11 all of one (ORIGIN) "origin" is added which makes Christ have a human father. - See Micah 5:2.
7:21 (AFTER THE ORDER OF MELCHISEDEC) - is out.
10:34 (IN HEAVEN) - is out. No footnote is given.
11:11 Sarah - (WAS DELIVERED OF A CHILD) - is out.

JAMES 5:16 - Confess your (FAULTS) - changed to "sins."
1 PETER 1:22 - obey - (THROUGH THE SPIRIT) - is out.
4:1 Christ hath suffered (FOR US) - is out.
4:14 (ON THEIR PART - EVIL SPOKEN OF, etc.) - is out.
5:11 to him be (GLORY) - Glory is out.
2 Peter 2:17 - darkness is reserved (FOR EVER) - out.

1 JOHN 4:3 - (CHRIST IS COME IN THE FLESH) - is out.
4:9 (BEGOTTEN) - is out here and in John 3:16
5:13 (THAT YE MAY BELIEVE ON THE NAME THE SON) - out.

JUDE 5 - (THE LORD) is changed to "he."

REVELATION 1:11 - (I AM THE FIRST - LAST) - is out.
5:14 (HIM THAT LIVETH FOREVER AND EVER) - is out.
11:17 (AND ART TO COME) - second coming denied.
14:5 without fault (BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD) - out.
20:9 from (GOD OUT OF) heaven. God is left out.
20:12 dead - stand before (GOD) - changed to "throne."
21:24 nations (OF THEM THAT ARE SAVED) - is out.

SPACE WILL NOT PERMIT MANY REFERENCES TO THE OLD TESTAMENT, BUT THE FOLLOWING IS QUITE CONVINCING

GENESIS 12:3 - (IN THEE SHALL ALL THE FAMILIES OF THE EARTH BE BLESSED) - is changed to "by you all the families - will bless THEMSELVES."
PSALMS 2:12 - (KISS THE SON) - is "kiss his feet."
45:6 thy throne (O GOD) - is out. The throne belongs to Christ, thus deity is taken away from Christ.
ISAIAH 7:14 - (VIRGIN) is changed to "young woman."
MICAH 5:2 whose (GOINGS FORTH HAVE BEEN FROM OF OLD, FROM EVERLASTING) - is changed to "whose ORIGIN is from old, from ancient days." See Heb. 2:11.
ZECHARIAH 9:9 - thy king (HE IS JUST AND HAVING SALVATION) - is all out with no footnote.
13:6 wounds (IN THY HAND) - is "on your back."
JEREMIAH 12:5 - (SWELLING) of Jordan is "jungle."

Order "Eye Openers" from J. J. Ray, Missionary
Box 1, Junction City, Oregon, USA

cc - Mr. Rasmus

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March 13, 1956

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[redacted]
Lamont, Iowa

Dear [redacted]

Your letter dated March 5, 1956, has been received and the interest which prompted your communication is indeed appreciated.

In response to your inquiry I wish to advise that the FBI as a fact-gathering agency does not issue classifications of organizations under any circumstances. However, a list of organizations which have been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450 may be obtained by writing to the Subversive Organizations Section, Internal Security Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - Omaha

Correspondent's letter states, "I am a teacher in the local public school. This Community has a majority of its citizens belonging to the

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Letter to
Lamoni, Iowa

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Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.
In a class some-one made the statement that they had
heard that this church (above) was classified by you
as Communistic. I was given the job of finding out
for sure.

"Would you please help me?

"If they are, could you give me some reasons
as to how an organization is judged?

"Also if not asking too much, a list of groups
so classified would be appreciated.

"Thank you for any help that you can give."

Bufiles contain no information identifiable
with correspondent and no pertinent data re Reorganized
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Lamoni, Iowa
March 5, 1956

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir;

I am a teacher in the local public school. This Community has a majority of its citizens belonging to the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Lamoni, Iowa
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Thank you for any help that you can give.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature Box]

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[redacted] at [redacted]
Westfield, Massachusetts

Dear [redacted]

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Your letter of March 5, 1956, with enclosure, has been received. I appreciate very much your interest in writing to bring this matter to my attention. Any time you have facts relating to this Bureau's jurisdiction, please feel free to contact our representatives at 470 Atlantic Avenue, Boston 10, Massachusetts.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NOTE: Correspondent wrote Director 2-10-56 advising that he was concerned over the attitude of [redacted] from Granville, Massachusetts. His suspicions concerning [redacted] loyalty were aroused by the nature of the letters which the latter individual wrote to the local newspapers, in one of which he spoke unfavorably concerning pending anti-Communist legislation in Massachusetts. Bufiles indicate [redacted] was a participant in a Seminar conducted by the American Friends Services Committee, a Quaker organization, during June 1954. One [redacted] of North Granby, Connecticut, was a subscriber to "People's China," a publication of the communist government in China, during 1952.

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[REDACTED]
WESTFIELD, MASS.

PHONE LOGAN 2-2049

March 5, 1956.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director of the FBI.

Dear Mr. Hoover:-

*Communist Infiltration
into Religion*

A short time ago I sent you some papers on
a [REDACTED] of Granville, Mass.

Here is a recent letter of his, which I think is an
excellent example of the Soviet slogan One step backward,
and two steps forward.

At any rate it is exactly opposite ^{to} all the letters
he has written.

Sincerely, [REDACTED]

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*** "COMMUNISM INVADES
ANY INSTITUTION"**

To the Editor of The Union

Mr.: What is communism? The outstanding expression is Russia where we have (1) control by a few (2) for ostensible good of the whole (3) resulting in added power to that few.

Communism invades any institution. The most democratic of all institutions is a Congregational church. When a few manipulate to gain control, often by a whispering campaign, by flouting the bylaws, by violating parliamentary procedure under the guise of the church's best interests, thereby gaining increased power and prestige, that is communism—control by the few for

the ostensible good of the many resulting in enhancement of the few.

In a government when a group aided by public relations and advertising agencies proclaiming ostensible, even actual, good for the people as a whole, gains control and achieves for that group increased power, prestige and profit, that nation ceases to be democratic and becomes communistic.

Control by the few for the good of the whole to the self-aggrandizement of that few is subversion of democracy whether found in town, church, national or foreign government. Such procedure betrays man's God-given inalienable right—self-government. Our forefathers fought for that right. God, Gandhi and Jesus still live in the hearts of men.

HERMANN G. PATT

Granville

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March 13, 1956

[Redacted]
Pincon Congregational Church
5457 East Seventh Street
Tucson, Arizona

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Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of March 9, 1956, has been received.

For your information, I would like to advise you that I have never made the statements as contained in your letter. In my testimony before the Committee on Un-American Activities of the House of Representatives March 26, 1947, I did make the following statement:

"I confess to a real apprehension so long as Communists are able to secure ministers of the gospel to promote their evil work and espouse a cause that is alien to the religion of Christ and Judaism."

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I am enclosing a copy of my testimony before this Committee, and you will find this sentence on page 12, paragraph 3. You will note that the paragraph containing this sentence and the subsequent paragraph indicated my apprehension of Communist infiltration, not only in the churches, but in other walks of life. This statement was most certainly not meant to be an indictment of any group or religion. As a matter of fact, it has always been my policy to refrain from making comments which could be construed as particularizing any one group.

Your interest in writing is appreciated, and I am happy to have the opportunity to set the record straight in this instance.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

Director's statement before Committee on Un-American Activities, 3/26/47.

Letter to

March 13, 1956

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. Dan Smoot mentioned by correspondent is former Special Agent Howard D. Smoot. He EOD as SA 3/23/42. After making unfounded charges against an SAC, Smoot was censured, placed on probation and transferred. He resigned thereafter. His attitude before and after his resignation was entirely unjustified. Smoot was formerly with "Facts Forum" but is no longer with them.

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Rincon Congregational Church

5457 E. 7th Street

"A FRIENDLY CHURCH IN THE HEART OF A FRIENDLY COMMUNITY"

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mason	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Communist Infiltration Into Religion ✓
March 9, 1956

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir;

One of the members of my church has quoted you as saying that the protestant churches in the United States have unintentionally become the greatest supporters of the communist line that we have in the country. She has also stated that you have agreed with the statement that protestant ministers are following the communist line.

I would like very much to know if you have ever made these statements or anything like them. If you have I would like to know just what is meant by them.

This person has also stated that the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches are in effect communist front organizations and she again backs it up with supposed quotations from your office.

I believe that she has gotten most of her mis-information from the "Dan Smoot Reports" out of Dallas, Texas.

It would be of great help to me if you could let me know if these statements and accusations have ever come from your office.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: May 16, 1956

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

SEATTLE 5, WASHINGTON

Tolson	✓
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Holloman	✓
Gandy	✓

Captioned individual was interviewed by SA [REDACTED] of the Crime Records Section on May 15, 1956, upon referral from the Office of [REDACTED] in the Department. [REDACTED] had in turn been referred to [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] Washington representative of the "Seattle Times."

[REDACTED] advised that she is a divorcee and that [REDACTED] was once [REDACTED] of the University of Oregon. She spoke for approximately 3 hours and it was difficult to keep her on the subject matter of her main complaint as she rambled off in many directions. She had a brief case full of newspaper clippings, charts and diagrams and what appeared to be numerous rambling notes. She related the following story.

She stated that [REDACTED] is a senior at the University of Washington. He had initially entered college with the intention of taking Pre-Law but has now changed to Psychology and eventually wants to be a theologian. The University Congregational Church is situated on the edge of the campus of the University of Washington but is not part of the university, although it caters almost exclusively to the college students. [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] of this church and his assistant is a young man approximately [REDACTED] years of age. [REDACTED] has for approximately the past two years, run a group known as the Pilgrim Club. [REDACTED] was [REDACTED] of this club last year and there are approximately 25 members in the club.

[REDACTED] stated that she and the parents of the other students who belong to this club are very worried because they seem to be going through a complete "brainwashing." She stated the group meets frequently and [REDACTED] appears to be an atheist, in that he stresses disbelief in God and the fact that pure science can solve all problems and not religion. They have frequent discussions on belief and disbelief in God and religion and if anyone expresses a belief in God, [REDACTED] tears down all such argument in favor of [REDACTED] belief. She stated that he is

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May 16, 1956

critical of the Government. and builds up agitation between the economic classes in all his teachings and is completely negative and depressive. Parents and outsiders are not allowed to attend any of the meetings. She stated [] has an almost hypnotic influence over the members of his group and that this influence is shattering the relationships between the members of the group and their families. She alleged that [] made the statement that if parents differ from what he is teaching this group, he will break the family relationship completely.

[] stated that the mothers of this group have gotten together and are greatly disturbed. They have talked to [] and he is most evasive. They have taken the matter up with [] and on the State Conference level of the Congregational Church. She advised that the State group of the Church characterized [] as a lone worker and very evasive. [] is very worried that this group is being "brainwashed" to be prepared to receive communist ideology and exhibited a newspaper article which indicated that a group had been found on the campus of Mc Gill University in Canada and that this group was being "brainwashed." She figured the same thing was happening to the group to which [] belongs. She advised that she and the mothers group had also taken this matter up with SAC Auerbach of the Seattle Office who advised them that from the facts presented, there did not seem to be any violation of Federal law and the FBI could not be of assistance.

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Bureau files are negative concerning []

and the "Pilgrim Club."

It should be pointed out that [] has advised that he believes that [] is unduly concerned about this matter and he stated that he himself is a member of the Congregational Church, knows [] by reputation as being most reputable and has suggested to [] that she is perhaps unduly alarmed and that she should follow the guidance and advise of []

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

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of the Baptist General Convention of Texas
304 Baptist Building
Dallas 1, Texas

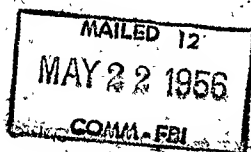
Dear [Redacted]

SEAL
Your letter dated May 16, 1956, has been received.

Although I would like to be of service, information in FBI files is confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out also that this Bureau is strictly a fact-gathering agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any individual, publication or organization.

I know you will understand the reasons for these rules and will not infer either that we do or that we do not have the information you desire.

Sincerely yours,



John Edgar Hoover
Director

NOTE: Bundy is consultant to the antismuggling commission, American Legion, Department of Illinois, and has been engaged in the study of subversive propaganda for sometime. He is a lecturer who tours the country speaking on communism before church and patriotic groups. Bundy is subject of a closed impersonation case; however, investigation reflected no substantiation of impersonation allegation. Chicago has been instructed to be most circumspect in any contacts with Bundy. (47-39431; 91-1-18-190-11; 100-3-95-227)

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CHURCH LOAN ASSOCIATION

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sirs:

Having heard Captain Edgar C. Bundy of Wheaton, Illinois, speak shocking facts about Communist Infiltration of the Churches, I am making inquiry concerning the authority with which he speaks.

I have no cause to disagree nor could I find fault with any of his lecture. He appears to be a sincere Christian with a message on his heart. However, a small rumor and some mystery concerning his present position raise the question that some small word from you could answer. May we hear from you soon?

Thank you for your attention and service in helping us to become more correctly informed.

Very truly yours,

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[redacted]
Berwyn, Illinois

Dear [redacted]

Your letter of July 19, 1956, with enclosures, has been received, and while I indeed appreciate the interest prompting you to communicate with me, I must advise that information in the files of the FBI is confidential and may not be disseminated outside this Bureau for other than official purposes.

As you undoubtedly know, the FBI is strictly a fact-gathering agency, and we are not empowered to make evaluations or draw conclusions concerning the integrity or reliability of any individuals, organizations or publications. You will, I am sure, not infer either that we do or that we do not have information regarding the subject of your inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Bufiles reflect no information to preclude this letter to [redacted] Bufiles reflect nothing derogatory regarding [redacted] who is an anti-communism lecturer.

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July 19, 1956

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover;
Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

~~Christian Anti-Communism~~
Crusade

Dear Sir;

Communist Infiltration Into Religion

For sometime I have been wanting to write you concerning [redacted] and his organization as explained on the enclosed folder to learn whether you have any information as to his genuineness. I deferred writing as I do not want to disturb you with trifles but a colleague of mine, through conversation yesterday, indicated that he too would be interested in having the trustworthiness of the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade confirmed or denied. [redacted]

You see this man spoke in both of our churches this spring and went out with considerable money and from personal conversation with [redacted] who has been speaking before Legion conventions and Congressional committees, I learned he is getting huge sums of money for his services. I do not begrudge him this if he is bonafide. But it occurred to me that he could make an exceedingly good front man for the Communist Party. I have no concrete evidence to present to support any mistrust, but I'd feel much better if you have evidence to prove his worth.

The man himself seemed just a bit uncanny. If he is all right he deserves even more of our support than he is getting. If wrong he should be exposed immediately. He is a dynamic convincing speaker.

I shall appreciate any information you may give on this matter. Blessings on your great work. We had an F.B.I. agent speak to our men's group a couple years ago. I don't see how you can keep such high caliber men on such low salaries.

Most cordially yours,

Berwyn, Ill.

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Christ who strengthens me."
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CHRISTIAN ANTI-COMMUNISM CRUSADE

Box 890

LONG BEACH 1, CALIFORNIA

Dear Christian Friend:

We desire to assure you of our cooperation and prayers in the work you are doing to stem the tide of godless Communism, and we are enclosing our gift to be used as designated:

Life membership, \$100.00	\$.....
Annual membership, \$10.00	\$.....
Office Expense	\$.....
Printing Plant in India	\$.....
Native workers, \$150 per month needed.	\$.....
Radio	\$.....
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“ . . . that ye should earnestly contend for the faith . . . ”

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Christian Anti-Communism Crusade

Box 890

Long Beach, California

C. A. C. News Letter

★ From the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade ★

Box 890 July-August, 1956 Long Beach 1, California

FRED C. SCHWARZ, M. D.

Executive Director

Dear Members and Friends:

The speech of Nikita Krushchev to the Twentieth Congress of the Russian Communist Party has shaken the Chancellories of the world. In it he depicts Stalin as a madman and a murderer. Though his language is restrained and even apologetic at times, the revelation of the extent and brutality of Stalin's crimes is staggering. Among the brutal, the bestial and the besotted murderers of history, Stalin now takes unquestioned pride of place. Statistics are cold things. Who can measure the agony and heartache of



a statistic like this? "Of the 139 members and candidates of the Party's Central Committee, who were elected at the Seventeenth Congress, 98 persons or 70 percent were arrested and shot." (Krushchev's speech to the 20th Congress.)

These facts are not new. They have been available to those willing to know for many years. The ignorance of them in many circles is a manifestation of our insane unwillingness to face the truth. In my book, "The Heart, Mind and Soul of Communism", I wrote, "Thus the mass-murder program of Communism is a logical and inescapable consequence of their basic beliefs. It is science in action. So many have been deceived on this point. They attribute the bestiality and excesses of Communism to the national characteristics of certain races—to Russian imperialism, to Asiatic cruelty, to a Jewish conspiracy of revenge; to anything and everything except the real culprit — that system of ideas and beliefs known as Communism. The murder of millions in Russia was not the excess due to a barbaric past; the liquidation of millions proceeding apace in China is not an example of Oriental cruelty. It is scientific Communism in action. Anglo-Saxon Communism will be just as scientifically ruthless, just as dehumanized as the Russian and Chinese varieties; it believes the same things, and it is as true today as ever, 'As a man thinketh in his heart, so he is'."

The new thing is the source of the attack. It is made by none other than the First Secretary of the Communist Party himself, the Stalin of today. It probably prepares the way for a new series of mass murders. Krushchev is no

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stranger to this technique. He personally carried out the purges in the Ukraine. He earned the sobriquet, "The butcher of the Ukraine".

"The indictment is finally not against Stalin, but against Communism itself. Communism created Stalin. It created his cruel and bestial character. It gave him the power to express that character in unlimited torture and bloodshed.

The indictment is also against those who refuse to be Anti-Communist. There are always those well meaning people who dislike being "Anti" and say we must always be "Pro". As a doctor I am "Anti" disease and suffering; while as a Christian, I am "Anti" godlessness, brutality and murder. The Christian Anti-Communism Crusade is proud of its name.

REPORT — WASHINGTON

Since the last time I wrote, I have been privileged to make two visits to Washington, D.C. I am happy to report I was able to speak to many responsible people high in the echelons of government. The groups addressed included—

1. Defense Department:

In the Pentagon, 70 to 80 of the leaders of National Defense gathered. They were most responsive to the message.

2. National War College:

This was a truly thrilling experience. Here were gathered the brilliant young leaders of the military services:—Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps. The basic rank is Colonel. For four hours I was encouraged to speak in meeting after meeting. Seldom has it been my privilege to speak to a more receptive audience. My heart was thrilled when an outstanding patriot, a man of brilliant military record, made a special visit to see me to outline his plans and tell me that I had been the first to awaken him to the realization that he personally had to enter the fight against communism in his daily life. He stressed his understanding of the role "faith in Christ" must play in this battle.

3. Congressional Luncheon:

Here the meeting was chaired by Senator Carlson of Kansas, and I was introduced by Rep. Walter Judd, an enlightened, consistent Anti-Communist Christian of Minnesota. He has been waging a valiant fight for many years.

4. Central Intelligence Agency:

It was a unique privilege to meet and discuss important subjects with personnel in such responsible positions.

These were but a few of the groups that were most hospitable to the message. Time does not permit a discussion of the Churches, Radio and T.V. programs, Civic Clubs and Christian groups who cooperated.

I left Washington with regret and a sense of an urgent need that I return for a longer period. This is made possible through the support given the work of the Christian Anti-

Communism Crusade program by those in agreement with its aims and spirit. I do thank you for your generous contributions of the past and of the future. I went to Washington as your representative.

"INDIAN WORK"

"The children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of Light." Nowhere is this truth better exemplified than in a comparison of Christian and Communist Missionary Programs.

The Christian Church has recruited, trained, transported and maintained many missionaries in foreign lands. The cost of the program has been very great. We appreciate beyond words the faithfulness, sacrifice, and ministry of true, Bible-believing Christian missionaries, and do not underestimate them in any way.

Nonetheless, the program has been confronted with tremendous difficulties. The missionaries are members of an alien race, speaking the native language with difficulty. They represent an alien culture. The Communists have had great success in branding the missionaries, "Agents of Foreign Imperialism."

The Communists have selected brilliant young national intellectuals in each country; converted them to Communism by intense personal work, and then equipped them as the missionaries to their own people. Thus Communism comes to them in the familiar tones of their own tongue, wearing the customary clothes, manifesting the same culture, and apparently free from any taint of "Foreign Imperialism."

We see the success of the Communist program in the incredible fact that since 1917, they have conquered more of the world's population than the total to have heard the name and story of Christ after nearly 2000 years.

We have a wonderful opportunity to achieve something effective for Christ and against Communism in India. For a considerable time, we have been in contact with a young Indian, Devananda Rao. We have investigated him thoroughly, and his recommendations are the very finest. He is 23 years old, a school teacher with a truly outstanding scholastic record, and a fervent Christian. He wrote previously to tell how the Communists were opening Youth Offices in every village in his Andra State and distributing vast quantities of beautiful, seductive Communist literature. The burden is on his heart to counter-attack by opening Christian Youth Offices and distributing Christian Literature to tell the Indian people the truth.

He writes, "Our plan is to purchase a site in Vijayawala, which is politically and geographically the center of our Andra State; construct a building, open an office, and set up a printing press to work for Christ. For the printing press alone, it is estimated that at least \$2000 is needed. Four workers would be needed to work the press, and these would need \$25 each per month.

"Ours is a big state having 30,000,000 population. There are many young people who are very anxious to work for

OUR PRESIDENT'S HEALTH

Recently our President had to undergo a severe surgical operation. Although suffering great pain, the needs of the work have always been uppermost in his mind, and he has carried on in a wonderful way. We appreciate the prayers of our many friends on his behalf. We trust you will continue to pray that God will give him the strength to maintain the most important part he has been playing in this work.

ADVISORY COUNCIL

The work of the Crusade is growing constantly and there is a constant need of enlarged leadership. We are delighted to report that many fine pastors and Christian laymen have accepted positions on our Advisory Council. These include:

Dr. Guy Archer Weniger
Theo. G. Moller, M.D.
Rev. Gordon H. Peterson
Dr. H. H. Savage
Rev. Paul Jones
Rev. Bond Bowman
Rev. C.T. Walberg
Rev. W. J. Eric Baxter
Rev. T. P. Lott
Dr. Frank C. Phillips
John McLennan, M.D.

As the enemy, Communism, becomes more and more Satanic in subtlety, as he dons the masks of Peace, Cooperation, Co-existence and de-Stalinisation, it is more than ever important that we continue to sound the alarm; to expose his wiles and to rally the people to the cause of God and Freedom. We thank you for your past, prayerful support, and are confident that it will grow in the future. God love you.

Yours very sincerely,
Fred Schwarz
Executive Director CACC.

New Life Members:

Anne Barr, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Ann Holmstrom, Chicago, Ill.
Virginia J. Johnson, Downers Grove, Ill.
Nuella M. Ness, Livermore, Calif.
Robert M. Page, Washington, D.C.

W. E. PIETSCH, D.D.

President

Dear Members and Friends:

"When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." Isaiah 59:19

"For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel: for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." II Cor. 11:13-15

We believe God has raised up the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade in this crisis hour on a 3-fold program of education, evangelism, and dedication. The new, subtle approach of Communism makes it even more serious, for Communism is still Anti-God and Anti-Christ. It follows the pattern of Karl Marx and Lenin. The present leaders were associates with Joseph Stalin, whom they are now seeking to repudiate to deceive in using even the clergy for their desired end of world conquest. "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." We earnestly seek your prayers for heavenly wisdom as we go forward in the work God has called us to do. We will be happy to send you a doctrinal statement of the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade. We wish to make it crystal clear that we have no sympathy with those who are Anti-Semitic. God has a plan and a program through His Chosen People, Israel, which He will fulfill in His own wonderful way.

CENTRALIZED OFFICE

We are happy to report that we have been able to consolidate our office in Southern California. Your prayers and cooperation have been greatly appreciated, and we are now established, carrying on our activities from the central office. Address all mail and gifts to the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade, Box 890, Long Beach 1, California.

MISSIONARY ADVANCE IN INDIA

Our executive director, with your president, has been much in prayer regarding the establishment of a printing plant missionary program in India. The Lord has answered prayer and has given us an excellent young man and his wife with a corps of workers to carry on a definite Christian program to counteract Communism in India. We have thoroughly investigated this brother and believe he is certainly worthy of our confidence and support. We are in urgent need immediately of \$5000 to set up the printing plant, and \$150 per month for the workers. Will you make this a matter of definite prayer and ask the Lord what He would have you to do to meet this definite need? This will be carried on by the Indians themselves, free from the taint

of Colonialism. Can we count upon your support? The Indians themselves can do a far more efficient work than even our own missionaries in the present world situation. The Communists are using the natives, and it is certainly a joy to find Christian natives who sense the responsibility and see crystal clear the issues that are involved. We most heartily recommend Brother Ch. Devananda Rao and his wife for your support.

SUMMER TRAINING SCHOOL

It is our privilege and joy to cooperate with the Moody Bible Institute Alumni in their Summer Conference at Winona Lake. Our executive director, Dr. Fred Schwarz, will be the instructor in the seminar. The dates are from July 16-20. If you are interested and wish to join us in this, write immediately for reservations.

OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dr. Fred Schwarz is doing an excellent job, and we wish to hold up his hands in prayer. The Lord has given us a fine board of directors and an excellent advisory council so we can carry on this work to the glory of God. We wish to maintain at all times the main objective, winning men and women to the saving knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ; show them the horrors of Communism through an educational program and then urge them to dedicate their lives to God and country. We are more than confident that, "If God be for us, who can be against us". Yet it is our Christian responsibility to fight godless Communism and vigorously protest the subtle suggestion of peaceful co-existence with a deadly enemy whose purpose is to destroy our beloved land and rob us of everything that God has given us through Jesus Christ our Saviour and Lord. Beware that we be not deceived by the soft talk of the hour, but remember, God has instructed us to separate from the Evil. Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers. God separated the light from the darkness, and Satan as an angel of light, working even in the realm of religion, is seeking to deceive us through the very grave and serious threat of communism.

It is our sincere desire to maintain efficiency and economy and use every dollar that the Lord sends in through His faithful stewards for the purpose for which it was given. We would be delighted to have a letter from you this month, and we are enclosing a self-addressed envelope with a letter which you can fill in, at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,
W. E. Pietsch

P.S. Thank you for your prayers in behalf of my physical need. I have just undergone major surgery, and am back at the office again, although quite weak. The Lord has been good, and we thank Him. We dedicate our lives afresh to the service of our wonderful Lord.

Christ if we could equip them. We are urgently in need of a few bicycles, a phonograph, a magic lantern, at least two Petromax lamps, and a photographic camera.

"I cannot sit idly by when the foe is working very hard, day in and day out to drag the people into the dangerous and fearful hell, teaching them false doctrine from the cradle to the grave. If we lose one minute today, we cannot gain it again."

SELECTIONS FROM SOME OF THE LETTERS OF REFERENCE

FROM REV. V. D. JOHN SUNDARA RAO OF THE AN-
DHRA BAPTIST MISSION:

"I hereby declare that Mr. Devananda Rao is known to me since a long time. I am delighted to say that he had the experience of 'NEW BIRTH' and was baptized by me. He is the member of our Church.

"He belongs to a respectable Christian family. He has an intensive desire to fulfill the great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ 'Be Ye my Witness'.

"This young man has been serving Christ, labouring among the students, young people and also laymen in many parts of our District, having sound knowledge both in the religious and the political fields. He is a young man having accomplishment, courage and intellectuality. His work to disband the young people from the band of the anti-Christian propaganda is greatly appreciated.

"He is, besides labouring for Christ, interested in helping the poor and the needy in many ways as far as our Lord enables and guides him.

"During my fifty years of service as a pastor in various places, I have been coming in contact with hundreds of well-trained Christian young people, but it is really a great joy to say that I found some special features and noble qualities in the heart of this young man. He has been traveling in various parts of this district, preaching the Gospel of Salvation. His motto is to preach Jesus as the Saviour of the World, besides protecting Christianity from the coming danger. I am happy to say that many people were spiritually benefited by his inter-denominational evangelical work.

"He has an unquestionable zeal, interest and anxiety to do every thing for Christ by realizing that our Lord laid a great burden on his heart to work for Him and to guard our religion in these hard days."

FROM DR. CH. D. PUSHPANADHAM, M.D.H.

"Mr. Devananda Rao is a thoughtful and authentic young Christian teacher with sound knowledge in many important subjects including the Bible. He believed in CHRIST as his Saviour and disseminates the Gospel with fidelity and confidence among the young people in many ways in many parts of our District. Most of his evangelical work is among the villagers, where it is certainly very difficult, but, needed urgently to defend our Christian-

ity. He moves with them magnanimously, amplifying the 'Word of God' in a proper way with great care, without minding even the physical fatigue. He utilizes his time in a reasonable manner with his Christian friends. He realized that the earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal. His declamations are suitable to the people to whom he preaches the Word."

FROM V. J. VINODA RAO, CBM SCHOOL, HEAD MASTER:

"He is an energetic, enthusiastic, and healthy young man. He is a cultured person both in English and Telugu languages and also in Political and Religious fields. His work in the Gospel field is the reliable witness, which declares that he is a very faithful and sincere gentleman in the Christian religion."

FROM KATURI JOSEPH, HEADMASTER, CHURCH
MISSION SCHOOL:

"He is a good speaker and also a good writer. He is a young man guided by the Holy Spirit indeed. It is really a joyful thing to say that our God has given him the splendid gift to win the souls for Him. As he is an efficient teacher with good training in a Christian Teachers' Training Institution, he presents the spiritual facts logically and psychologically, without going beyond the mental horizon of the people to whom he presents the great and most powerful message. He practically shows his strong will to oppose the false messages delivered by the godless people. A great regard should be given to the speeches he delivers for the young people, putting the Biblical facts and figures, linking them up to the present world affairs in these changing days."

FROM L/NK K. J. MANOHAR RAO (OWA), RHQ/19
HEAVY ANTI AIRCRAFT REGIMENT, DELHI CANTT-
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"Though he is a school master, he spends much of his time in prayer and preaching among the unsaved young men in our Krishna District and some times even in other districts, as our Lord guides him. I have been in the Military service since 10 years and I have fellowship with him when I go to my own State on leave. Four years ago I found Christ by the splendid and Holy message through our dear Christian friend, Mr. Devananda Rao. On that particular night at his house, he spoke on the subject "The Holy Spirit" which really stirred my heart and brought me to the Holy Cross. Praise the Lord. Thus, I know, our Saviour is using His faithful servant, Mr. Rao in a wonderful way to win souls for Christ."

This is a challenge we cannot ignore. It presents us with an opportunity and a test of our sincerity. We need \$5000 urgently for the Indian work. We have already nearly \$1000 set aside for this purpose. Please act now. Send in your checks designated for this purpose. It is truly an investment in country, home and family as well as treasure laid up in heaven. I present this appeal with all the sincerity and sense of urgency at my command. Please act now.

RADIO MINISTRY

Through the courtesy of Radio Station, WMBI, the Voice of the Moody Bible Institute, I have prepared thirteen tapes of approximately fifteen minutes duration each, on the theory, organization, and strategy of Communism. They are educational, not evangelistic. These have been prepared in response to demands from all round the world. They are available by writing to our board member: Mr. W. P. Strube, Jr., P.O. Box 6281, Houston, Texas. The subjects of the individual lectures are:

1. Nature of Communism:
Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin.
2. Philosophy:
Atheism and Materialism.
3. Historical Materialism.
4. Dialectical Materialism.
5. Applications of the Dialectic:
(a) Class War
(b) Revolution
(c) Communist Conception of Peace.
6. Communist Morality:
(a) Good and Evil
(b) Right and Wrong
(c) Truth and Error
7. Lenin and Bolshevism
8. Party Organization:
Democratic Centralism
9. Party Policy:
Left Wing Communism—An infantile disorder.
10. The Dictatorship of the Proletariat.
11. Technique of Conquest:
Number 1—Conquest of Students
Organization of students into core of Communist Party
12. Technique of Conquest:
Number 2—Exploitation of Basic Human Desires, needs and grievances.
13. Technique of Conquest:
Number 3—Minority Dictatorship and Universal Slavery.

SUMMER SCHOOL

The time is drawing near for the summer school at Winona Lake, Indiana. The School is under the auspices of the Alumni of the Moody Bible Institute. The subjects are as follows:

- Monday: July 16 — The Theology of Communism.
Tuesday: July 17 — The Communist Church.
Wednesday: July 18 — The Communist Missionary and Evangelist.
Thursday: July 19 — The Conversion Program of a Communist.
Friday: July 20: — The Consecration of a Communist.

We hope to meet many of our friends at this ideal vacation location: Winona Lake, Indiana.